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MONEY IN OREGON PRODUCTS.

THILE A GREAT many men are coming greater proportion of them in agricultural

some Oregonians are making investments far abroad, some in Alberta province, some in Mexico and others elsewhere. These are not a very great number all told, nor is the aggregate amount of their investbeing invested in Oregon, but they are sufficient to cause considerable comment. It is any one's free privilege to go or send his money whithersoever he chooses, yet is a little strange to see farmers from castern Oregon, the best-yielding grain country in the United States, moving away up into Alberta to raise wheat, and others buying with but slight knowledge of the property pur-

chased coffee lands in Mexico. Some years ago two young Umatilla county men who had made quite a large amount of money raising wheat sold out and invested in an island in the San Joaquin river. They bought a law suit with the island and last year won it, and stuck to the property, valued at more than a quarter of a million dollars, until they played even or more, and then one of them sold out his share and says he will hereafter confine his investments to Umatilla Union counties, where he already has large hold-

ence in that business tells fat a man can do therein in that part of the state. The orchards up to the seventh hat part of the state. The orchards up to the seventh ear, exclusive of the raw land-plowing, trees, planting, ultivation, spraying and everything-will cost, he says, \$55.63 an acre, which rull be reduced by apples produced to \$21.23 per acre. Alter then, or at most after the tree is nine years old, it should yield an average of 10 boxes f apples per year. which, at 50 cents a box, less that

he average price for good apples, yields \$345 per acre, itearly all of which is net profit. Hon. E. L. Smith, president of the State Develop-ment league, figures the cost of a 10-acre orchard for ve years at \$428.80, and that it will pay all expenses fter fire fourth year, and that it will pay all expenses fter fire fourth year, and as time passes will yield a arge fircome. This income varies greatly, of course, mt \$150 an acre per year for a long series of years is not at all unusual, while the amount realized in fre-ment instances runs up to several times this amount, and

uent instances runs up to several times this amount, and in an occasional case to nearly \$1,000 an acre. Either in wheat-raising or apple-raising, in portions of Oregon, and those portions embracing large aggregate areas, the net profits are so astonishingly large as to be simply fabulous to eastern people. The result de-pends on the soil secured; on discernment, intelligence.

pends on the soil secured, on discernment, intelligence. system and work. There is also money in many other occupations im-mediately connected with the soil in Oregon-in raising alfalfa and feeding it to stock, in dairying, in poultry-raising and truck gardening if near a sity. The state produces much already, but not one-tenth what it can be made to produce of all these staple necessaries of life.

# THE WAR AGAINST MORTALITY.

Great advancement has been made in the means and methods of prevention of child mortality. Better milk, water, ice and drainage have cut down infant mortality to a comparatively small figure. The great fire of 1871

below that of the Windy city. Portland has good nat-HILE A GREAT many men are coming to Oregon to invest money in many ways, the its size in the country.

Much has been done in the past 25 or 30 years to check mortality, particularly among children. Smallpox is no longer a scourge, scarlet fever and measles are seldom fatal, even diphtheria has been in a large measure ments abroad very darge, as compared with the amounts conquered, while the ravages of pneumonia have been being invested in Oregon, but they are sufficient to cause checked and a beginning has been made in the grand work of curing and preventing tuberculosis. The good work will steadily go on, and the average

span of human life will gradually increase, as mankind learns how to live more intelligently and comfortably. There is always a better time coming, but as compared with the past this is a pretty good time itself.

# STILL UNEARTHING SCANDALS.

T BEGINS TO LOOK as though the question of graft was to be probed into in all directions. It started first in this county; then it extended to the federal land business. Now the state land business is being probed by a Marion county grand jury and our city affairs are coming in for attention at the hands of the district attorney. When these investigations are ings of farming land. He advises young men and cap-italists to stick to that part of Oregon if they want to make money out of agriculture. A Rogue river valley fruit-grower with large experi-to the district attorney. When they were the completed we shall have been carried pretty well around the circle and there will doubtless be laid bare a condi-tion of affairs that will carry surprise if not satisfaction to the general public. to the general public.

There are those who regret that such things are gone into because they reflect upon the good name of the state. But if the sole choice is between corruption and graft, through which the taxpayers are robbed, and exposure which will put an end to them, it seems to The ournal that the latter is by far the better alternative, Our public administration costs so much money and there is so little to show for it that a general protest has gone up from the taxpayers who are now in a mood to demand full value for the expenditure of public as well as private funds. That public plunder has been re-

solved into a system, that a brokerage office existed not alone for peddling out offices, but for apportioning the graft which came from the pockets of the taxpayers, there has never been any doubt, though the positive legal proof has until now been lacking.

A grand jury is about to be called here and there is

no doubt that that is the proper step to take. A grand jury is a very valuable adjunct of the legal machinery, but it is neither all nor everything. Back of it must stand a district attorney ready, willing and able to push and direct the work. If the matter is gone into the ultimate responsibility for its success or failure must rest mate responsibility for its success of failure must rest with that dificial. | District Attorney Manning has before him a great opportunity for a record, but it rests entirely with himself to achieve it. He has made a good start but he should be satisfied with nothing short of a good finish, which, after all, is the real thing.

## GRAFTERS BEING UNCOVERED.

THE OLD SAYING, "Where there is so much

THE WAR AGAINST more and the statistics are correct, that is often complained, there is the statistics are correct, that unjustly suspected, and wrong complained, there is the statistics are correct, that also be true that, as is often complained, there is is in the structure for the figures published, the average age at death in Chicago in 1870 was 12 years, while in 1904 the average age at death in Chicago in 1870 was 12 years, while in 1904 the average age at death in Chicago in 1870 was 12 years, while in 1904 the average age at death in Chicago in 1870 was 12 years, while in 1904 the average age at death in Chicago in 1870 was 12 years, while in 1904 the average age at death in the situation of affairs right now in Portland, and in Oregon, sufficiently justifies all that has been said by The Journal is a fairs in this city has been scandalously and shame-fully corrupt, and in warning the people that they must that better, cleaner, more com-

JNO. P. CARROLL April seems to be in favor of Development on paper doesn't amoun Maybe Rojesty

Editorial Page of The

The Democrats, however, seem to keeping cool.

SMALL CHANGE

Whatever the weather, the mayoralty impaign is getting warm.

What Rojestvensky needs is a port not too finically neutral.

Mr. Harriman seems to have

The Chicago visitors discovered that Portland is worthy of a place on the

Perhaps a good deal of Equitable money went to Jimmy Hyde's photog-rapher.

Wanted-A thousand families to buy small tracts of ground around Portland and raise poultry and eggs.

Hyde has made restitution of som minor amounts, but this act is confu-sion that he ought to get out.

"Keen politics out of the schools," mays the Salem Stu Yes, and out of city affairs, too

Judge Hogue told a little boy witness that people who testified falsely went to jall. But they seldom do, judge. A child should be told only the truth.

It probably would be a good, thing if Germany should start a European re-taliatory tariff policy. Our tariff is more of an abomination here than there.

After The Dalles Chronicle appropri-ates a few more Journal editorials bod-lly without credit it will probably be im the humor to indulge in another criti-cism of this paper.

The Astoria Budget says "Multnomah county has a standing indebtedness of about \$400,000." The Budget is away behind the times. Multnomah county's debt has been entirely paid off.

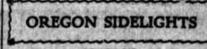
President Roosevelt is having fun with the bears, and the rest of us are getting considerable fun out of it on the side.—Sioux City Journal. There has been no side bear meat around here.

Banker Bigelow did on a larger scale

what Banker Wade of Pendleton did, even to making away with an estate of which he was administrator. But Biglow seems to have better nerves Wade had,

Dictator Castro accuses Ansistant Secretary of State Loomis of grafting while minister to Venesuela. Quite pos-sible, but Castro's testimony will have to be corroborated strongly before any-body would believe it.

The Canyonville Echo tells of a your woman who has gone to a neighboring settlement "to take up her life work" of teaching school. She will be an excep-tion if she doesn't change her occupa-tion to that of teaching a man and his and her children before very long.



Aurors thinks it needs a bank.

A farm near Athena sold for \$110

Farm help needed in differe of Oregon. A Prineville man caught a wildent A LIST OF THE NEW OREGON LAWS

The Journal is printing a synopsis of all the laws passed by the last legis-lature, which those interested would do well to cut out for reference:

Belling Ligner to Function. .8. B. 307-Any person permitting a female under 21 years of age to remain in or about a place where liquor is sold, or selling or giving liquor to such fe-male, is subject to a fine of \$100 to \$1,000; provided that this act shall not apply to a fine the set shall not

apply to a female accompanied by he husband or parent, or to any open public restaurant or dining-room. Approved February 21.

S. B. 270-One half the owners S. B. 270-One half the owners of land in a district subject to overflow from freshets or tide water, who own one half of such land, may petition to the county court to be formed into a diking district. The court may then appoint viewers and have fine esti-mated cost declared a regular tax as-sessment upon the land of the district, to provide for carrying out the neces-wary work. The county court is author-ised to appoint a superintendent of dikes. Approved February 21. County Court Torms.

dikes Approved February 21. County Court Terms. 8. B. 271-County courts shall con-vene the first Monday of each month for transaction of probate business. For transaction of county Business, county courts shall convens in the fol-lowing counties: Baker, Juffkson, Linn, Lans, Benton, Polk, Marion, Washing-ton, Yamhill, Clacksmas, Multhomah, Classop and Union on the first Wed-nesday of each month; Grant, Harney, Lake, Douglas, Wasco, Crook, Morrow, Gilliam, Malheur, Tillamook, Umatilla, Klamath, Columbis, Wallows and Wheeler on the first Wednesdays in January, March, May, July, September and November: Josephine and Curry the

January, March, May, July, September, and November; Josephine and Curry the first Wednesdays in January, April, July and September; Coos and Sherman counties the first Wednesday in Janu-ary, April, July and October. Approved Berguary 21.

Selling County Bealty.

Selling County Realty. 8. B. 194-The county court is author-ised to sell realty used for a poor farm, or realty owned by the county which is not in use, at public or private sales, after duly entering an order of sale in the journal of the court. Approved Pebruary 21. Computery School Attendance. 8. B. 125-Parents or guardians hav-ing children eligible to schools main-ing children eligible to schools main-tained in the state by the federal gov-ornment, where tuition, lodging, food and clothing are furnished by the gov-

arnment, where tuition, lodging. food and clothing are furnished by the gov-ernment, are subject to a fine of \$10 to \$25 for the first offense and \$35 to \$50 for the second offense. if they fail to keep said children in the school for a term of nine months, or the term of school. If children-live more than 10 miles from the school, they are exempt, unless the goverpment provides for transportation, and if children are mentally or physically weak, the county court shall declare them exempt. Any person alding a parent to violate this law, or intimidating them in its execu-tion, shall be subject to like fine. Ap-proved Pebruary 22. Amand and Entery. B. B. 47-Any person not armed with a dangerous weapon, assaulting another, shall be subject to fine of \$50 to \$500, or to imprisonment of three months to one year in the county jall; provided, where a husband assaults his wife or beats her, he may be punished by this pensity or by whipping, receiving not to cucced 20 lashes. Approved February 22. **Licemeng Tunters**.

Exceed 20 lashes. Approved February 22. <u>Lioensing Tunters</u>. S. B. 259—Every person hunting same animals or fowls in this state shall first procure a hunters' license from one of the counties, except he be hunting on his own land. Resident hunters shall pay 31, and non-residents 510 a year for this license. The county clerk shall issue the license upon application, and a tractional decline before the tone of a fractional decline before the tone of a fractional decline before the tone of a fractional decline before the tone of a Dinkel Spice (1) and non-residents for a leadle recreation and non-resident functors shall a fractional decline before the tone of a Dinkel Spice (1) and non-resident function and the prosent prices as if there would be a fractional decline before the tone of a Dinkel Spice (1) and non-resident function and the prosent prices as if there would be a fractional decline before the tone of a Dinkel Spice (1) and the prosent prices as if there would be a fractional decline before the tone of a fractional decli

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Chen D. Bockyfeller valks ouid of his offies, und chumping into der elevator i ascends to der bottom und Chen valks buid into Vall street. Ven Chen gets in front öf Chay Pur-bump Morgan's office he puts der fairef finger of der right hand in deuble sarpiess mit der thumb, und den he blaces der total in his mouth and Local Institutes. H. B. 60-It is made the duty of the county school superintendent of each county to hold three local institutes in his county each year, and shall be permitted to use a part of the institute fund for defraying supeness. The su-perintendent has the power to declare the office of clerk or director vacant in the office of director vacant in the office Visales. Chay Purp hears der visals und comes ould mit his rubber shoes on. Efteryding in Vall street is dit mit rubber shoes on it. "Wie gehts, Chay Purp?" says Chen D. "Veil, similch" says Chay Purp. "Anyding didding?" says Chen D. "Veil, similch" says Chay Purp. "Anyding didding?" says Chen D. "Possibility!" says Chay Purp. "Vot is your income today yet?" "Ven 2 left der office my income vas pumping at abouid der rate of two "ousand sigs husnert tollars a minute." et Chon D. "Vell," says Chay Purp. "my income area of resignation, removal, non-resi-ence, and failure to discharge duties, remaining members must fill ancy at once. Whan two or tricts desire to consolidate, the one must be presented to the y commission, and will be consi-that body according to population or conditions. Approved Fab n two or more

THE MARKET BASKET

Those who delight in a good piece of the genuine Columbia river royal chinook salmon are now having the trast of their lives. Supplies of this glorious fish are very liberal and prices are going down to such a level that not even the humbles; will have to forego a taste of the fish that all the world hores.

"I haf taken eferding in sight, but I get vorse all der vile," says Chon D. Chay Purp makes a short, internal laugh. "Vot, haf I missed anyding?" says Chon D., mit his wolce tied up in a performenes. There is another fish that is always

There is another fish that is always welcome in the markets of this city-the genuine Columbia river shad. This, fish is now in every market, at such a figure that it is almost as cheap as smelt in the days of the heavy runs. With the exception of some little trouble in removing the bones from the shad, the fish is one of the easiest to premare.

Chon D., mit his wolce fied up in a nerfourness. "Peanuts!" says Chay Purp, in s subtle visper. "Peanuts!" says Chon D., getting vesk in der knees. "Vot! doan'd I control dee vorld's ouidput?" "You vas dinking abould popeorn." says Chay Purp. "Bo far peanuts haf eggscaped your notice." "I vas dumb mit amassmentess!" says Chon D. "How can such dings be in der land of der brafe und der home of der free lunch? How much vas peanuts quoted on der stock eggschange at der opening Tigures"

prepare. Purp. "Vot is der wisible supply?

Chickens were more plentical in all the markets this week, but suggles are still under the demand, even at the high prices now charged. Orogon strawberries were in the mar-ket this week for the first time this season. They were raised in a hot-house and sold at very high figures. California berries are in much larger supply; and prices are getting within reach of the average person. Oregon asparagus is in control of the local markets, as the supplies of California stock are very limited. There is a vast difference in the quality. The

is a vast difference in the quality. The local 'grass is tender all the way through, while the stocks from Cali-fornis are for the most part quite tough. There is very little difference in the

fornis are for the most part quite tough. fornis are for the most part quite tough. There is very little difference in the price. Florida tomatoes are in the market again. The stocks of better quality than those previously received, are self-isg at 55 cents a pound. Prices on potatoes are stiffening on account of the smaller supply of Ore for at lower figures these do not seem to be acceptable to the trade. There are still some Oregon onions in the market but the end of the some son is coming with express apeed Stocks in the market are for the most part quite soft, and Australians are coming into general demand. The butter market is lower, and even

Per George V. Hobart

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formatigned. Picklessuer set I should wrote it down and make it in typesetting so der uni-werse should see yust vot is der mys-terious inner vorkings of der trust. Here it ls: Chen D. Bockyfeller valks ouid of his offles, und chumping into der slovator

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hon D. "Ain'd it!" says Chay Purp.

chasing der cyclometer around ud der ratio of vun t'oumand, seu

"Ain'd it awful to be so rich?" says

"Two cents a bag, roasted." says Chay

Chon D. "Befen billion bags, two, hunnert und nineteen Italians, und eight hunnert

nineteen Italians, und eight hunnert policemen keeping dem on der move," says Chay Purp. "Trust dem at vunce," says Chon D. "Vot vill I call dis new trust?" says

"Call it der, Peanut Protective Patrol "Call it der, Peanut Protective Patrol und Itinerant Italian Industrial Insur-ance company, limitéd, copyright, 1905. by Chon D. und Chay Purp, und incor-porated according to der laws of New

ubt, by destroying an immense amount of disease-breeding matter and resulting in better buildings. Yet in 1873 children less than one year old formed 37 per cent of the total deaths in Chicago, while

last year such deaths comprised only 19 per cent. Chicago now boasts of being the healthiest of the very large cities of the world, its death rate in 1903 being a little over fifteen per thousand, while in New York it was eighteen, in London nineteen and in Paris twenty. The pure air from Lake Michigan, while at times dis-agreeable, conduces to healthfulness, and Chicago is said to have a model health department. Yet pneumonia, number of people annually in that city.

Turning from this fifteen per thousand of population of a mortality in 1904 of only nine per thousand. Of the election of city officers is near at hand, let the people people its death rate in all probability would be far at least no "gray wolves."

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Things That Need More Attention

Portland, Ort. April 28. - To the Editor of The Journal The so-called Taxpay-ers' league of Portland have an article

in the issue of the Oregonian of the 23d inst. Their chief grievance seems to

hast. Their chief grievance seems to be levying of a 2-mill tax to be used for the paying of bridges, fills and other public utilities. They also seem trou-bled because it is suggested to raise the salar<sup>57</sup> of the clerk of the police court from 375 to \$109 per month, and are also interested in having the city bonds held by citizens of Portland. So far as the city bonds are concerned, the tax-payers have no interest except to allow

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highest bidder to secure the bonds.

If these bonds are of so much impor-tance to the syndicate of bond buyers, they have it in their own hands to con-trol them. All they have to do is to bid as high, or higher, than their competi-

All of the above grievances have but little interest for the taxpasses and citizens of Portland. If the Tavpayers

league are desirous of bettering the con-ditions now existing, they will devote their time to stopping the great leaks of tens of thousands of dollars. For in-stance, the Morrison street bridge swin-

die, where it was shown to all fair-minded men that, according to the con-tract for the construction of this bridge, the taxpayers were charged over \$20,000 more than the contract de-

It is entirely safe to say, in fact, it is a matter general knowledge, that a system of grafting and boodling has been in operation right along, especially in respect of public improvements in this city. In this business some of the city officials have undoubtedly been

directly involved, others have winked at the nefarious business, and others probably did not care about it or else were so incompetent and blind that they did not see what was going on. A good many specific facts have from time to time been dragged to light, mainly by this paper, and it appears that the time is now near when these and other facts will be investigated by a tuberculosis and febrile fevers still carry off a great grand jury, and later probably by a trial court and

jury. It is quite time this was done. Turn on the fight, who die annually in Chicago to Portland, we can boast and let no guilty man escape. And in the meantime, as course Portland is only a small city, as compared with drop politics and personal preferences and prejudices Chicago, but it is so situated that if it had two million and see if they cannot elect a higher class of men, or

There is a good opening in Ione for

Prospects for grain and fruit neve

Forest Grove is officially all its inhabitans are so., rest Grove is officially dry, but no

Nebraska. breeder of fine horse settle in Macksburg.

A little Butter creek boy got hold o a rifle and killed himself.

There are 14 applicants for superin tendent of the schools of Pendleton.

A rather strange thing has happen Eugene a councilman has resign

Athena is proud of its crushed rock

A new stage with a seating capacity of 12 will run from Myrtle creek to the mines.

A man offered to serve as marsha of Tillamook for \$10 a month. Tilla mook's dry:"

The Amity board of trade is working on the establishment there of a fruit dryer and cannery.

The Jefferson Review complains of "gailon, houses" and thinks license saloons preferable.

W. D. Howells in Harper's Magazine, We do not wish to be discouraging, but we must confess that we do not br-Many home-buyers from the cast are mentioned in Williamette valley and southern Oregon papers. 5-

The Amity Advance correctly advises land owners to sail portions to new-comers at moderate prices.

A Cow creek canyon locality is named Starveaut, but people don't starve out there if they work a little.

Through subscriptions of citizens the Glendale band will give concerts Satur-day nights throughout the summer.

A Myrtle creek valley man has cot-his first crop of alfalfa, 4½ feet, in, length, and is shipping strawberries by the crate.

Not a vote was cast against bonding Athena for \$25,000 for waterworks, and 55 taxpayers voted for it. They're the

Pendleton is over 40 years old, and on Easter Sunday morning, for the first time in the history of the city, the sa-loons closed their doors in observance of the Sunday closing law.

The Adams Advance tells the of that town that they are sluggards, and should rustle around and get a bank, a flouring mill and other things there

issue the license upon application, and a license will permit hunting in other counties. The penalty for violation is a fine of \$25 to \$100, or imprisonment of 5 to 30 days. Approved February 21. Bellaquishing Sales Sever. 8. B. 243-All that portion of the sever laid by the state between the capitol and the eastern limits of Salem is donated to the city of Salem. Ap-proved February 22.

is donated to the city of Salem. Approved February 22. **Eaview' Licenses.** 8. B. 170-At the first term of the county court in each county of the state after the first of the year, the annual tax shall be fixed for hawkers or peddlers of stoves, ranges, carriages, buggies, wagens, carts, surreys or other kinds of two and four-wheeled vehicles, or fanning mills or similar goods, wares or merchandise, the license to be not less than 1200 a year nor more than 1500. Each license is for one county only child the county courts establish individual rates, 3200 shall be the rate for all counties of the state. Vendors of such goods without license shall be subject to a fine of \$200 to \$500, or imprisonment of 3 to 12 months. This have become effective the governor shall appoint one clitzen of Josephine and two of Jackson counties, who, with one chosen from each county by the county agricultural societies, shall constitute the board of commissioners of the First Bouthern Oregon Agricultural society, and they are empowered to hold agricultural fairs pursuant to the usual awa on this subject. The sum of \$1.200 annually is appropriated to the first society, \$1.800 to the second society, and they are empowered to hold agricultural fairs pursuant to the usual awa on this subject. The sum of \$1.200 annually is appropriated to the first society, \$1.800 to the second society, and they are empowered to hold agricultural fairs pursuant to the usual awa on this subject. The sum of \$1.200 annually is appropriated to the first society, \$1.800 to the second society, and they are empowered to hold agricultural fairs pursuant to the usual awa on this subject. The sum of \$1.200 annually is appropriated to the first society and they are empowered to hold agricultural fairs pursuant to the usual awa on this subject. The sum of \$1.200 annually is appropriated to the first society, \$1.800 to the second society, and they are of a divided annually between the second society and the first for the first for the first society and they are and kl

H. B. 230-No child under 14 years of age shall be employed in any factory, store, in or about any mine, or in any store, in or about any mine, or in any age shall be employed in any factory, store, in or about any mine, or in any telegraph, telephone or public measurement service, and no child of this age shall be employed in any labor of any ferm, for wages or other compensation, during the hours when the public school where he lives is in session. Attendance at school shall be compulsory between 8 and 14 years of age in cities, towns and villages during the whole school term, and for all childrep between 14 and 15 years of age who are not em-ployed in lawful work. No child under 15 years of age shall be employed at any work before 7 s. m. nor later than. 6 d'clock p. m., nor longer than 10 hours a day, nor more than six days a week, and shall be entitled to 30 minutes at moon for meals. All persons employing children under 15 years of age shall make out an sge and schooling certifi-cats, after obtaining satisfactory evi-dence. Failurs to produce a schooling certificats where a child employed is under 16 shall be prime facies evidence of illegal employment. Any one employ-ing a minor contrary to the provisions From the Philadelphia Bulletin. Maud Muller, on one cold March day, Stood in the hay field raking hay. And watched the Judge come riding h With a merry twinkle in his eye. "Inform me, Judge." said saucy Maud, "Why is your smile so very broad?" "My preity maid," the Judge admitted "I grin because I've been acquitted."

As It Seemed to Eim. From the Chicago Tribune. Relative—Amanda is trying 'to something with her voice, is she? Amanda's Father—Tes; I don't kn exactly what, but from what it's cost me I suspect she's having it treated is appendicitie. of illegal employment. Any one employ-ing a minor contrary to the provisions as of this set is subject to a fine of \$10 to m \$25 for the first offense, and \$25 to \$50 m

the market becomes better. WORLD'S LARGEST DOORS From the Washington Post.

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# CASTRO'S DEFIARCE. From the Chicago Evening Post. Castro, it is reported, "defies the United States." All of Castro's history indicates that he is not the kind of man upon whom much sympathy need be wasted when he is looking after his own taterests, but, if the story be true that he has merely refused to take a case away from the Venexuelan court as the demand of one of the liftgants, forwarded through the American state department, it may be that he is not only well within his rights, but is de-serving of commendation. A demand for arbitration is a good deal like an appeal to a couff of equity—the appel-iant must have clean hands. Up to that present there is a general suspicion that no hands will be exposed in the Venexuelan asphalt controversy if clean-lines is to be one of the requisites pre-liminary to a showdown. We are not yet ready to fight to determine the ownership of the asphalt lakes.

A Good Bargain. Mistreas (engaging a servant)--You ppear to understand the duties re-uired, and, if you wish; you can begin

work at once. New Girl-Very well, ma'am; but I'd like to make a hargain with you. "What is it?" "If you won't do any peepin' through keyholes when I have company, I won't do apy when you have."

nected with the city government, who are mixed up in the affairs of the First street bridge contracts. If the Taxpay-ers' league is sincere in trying to have justice done to the taxpayers, these are the matters which they should take under consideration, instead of petty matters which are of no interest to the majority of our citizens. As to the raising of the clerk of the police court's salary from \$75 to \$100 per month, he certainly is entitled to \$100 per month. So far as his salary is concerned it cuts no figure in the finances of the city. As to the 2-mill tax, which comes be

From the San Francisco Buffetin. "Although I have been a writer of fic-tion for many years," said Mr. Haggard in a recent speech, "I have now turned in a recent speech, "I have now turned in thoughts to more serious consider-ations. The evils about one accepted as inevitable should be met with and, if possible, overcome. A few years ago I noticed that in the country in which I lived the people were being swept forth and the citles becoming glutted and seathing tanks of misery and sin. You may say that these conditions are

You may say that these conditions are exaggerated; you may argue that the rich and respectable live in the cities. But take a five-minutes' walk from the houses of these same rich and respect-able people and what do you wee? 'In England today the conditions in the slums of the eities are terrible. The civilized people of the western world must stop this conglomeration of peo-ple in a few large cities, or it is inevi-table that race suicide of the most ag-gravated type will follow. But there a their bid. The executive commit-for sense cause unknown to the fax-ers passed a resolution to refund the cy and contract, thereby leaving it rety in the hands of the California re company. ers ars many prominent men con-

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over \$20,000 more than the contract de-manded. Another swindle I call the at-tention of the Taxpayers' league to is the First street bridge, where the Pa-cific Bridge company of the state of Washington submitted a bid, accompa-nied by \$5,000 as a guarantee that they would accept the contract in accordance with their bid. The executive commit-ter for upone cause unknown to the tax-payers, passed a resolution to refund the money and contract, thereby leaving it mitrely in the hands of the California bridge company.

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finances of the city. As to the 2-mill tax, which comes be-fore the people in the forthcoming June election for them to vote on, it should receive the unanimous indorsement of the people. Of all the bills, which were passed by the last legislature, the Col-weil bill, levying the 2-mill tax for the purpose of building bridges and fills stands conspicuously in favor of the taxpayers of the city. but we must confess that we do not br-lieve society will ever rest on any other basis than Christian marriage as we now have it. Polygamy still survives in countries of different religions, and has been signally revived in our own. Cer-tain nameless relations, false and dein-sive images of marriage, which can never eventuate in homes, forbid the wild hope of time-limited unions. Noth-ing but marriage as we have it is thick-

ing but marriage as we have it is think-able; and the only question with the philosophic mind is how to make it tol-erable when it cannot be made happy.

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not afflicted with the evils of the west will sweep over us as they have done in the past. We need but read history to be convinced of this truth. The men of Asia are men who are strong in the

of Asia are men who are strong in the virtues of the country. They are not oppressed by the evils of the masses in the sigms. If the west is to continue to advance as they have done in the past it is essential that they absunden the habit of living in the dust and filth of the big cities' siums."

MARRIAGE AND RAPPINSSS.

From the Chicago Tribune. " Pale with indignation, Mrs. Lapsling rose to address the chair. "Mrs. President." she said, "the mem-ber of this club who has just taken her seat does not dare to come out openly and accuse me of using my of-ficial position to entich myself with the prerequisites of the office. She does it by diminuendo. I shall not retort by indiscriminating her. Mrs. President. I shall merely deny the charge, and thus

throw the onerous probandi upon her." (Tremendous sensation.)

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