

FIRST AUTHENTIC PHOTOGRAPH OF TSI-AN



This is the first genuine photograph presenting a good likeness of Tai-An, the Empress Dowager of China, the woman who absolutely rules more human beings than any other person on earth. The Empress Dowager was born in 1854, and while many Europeans have been received by her, especially in recent years, little is known of her remarkable personality. By her side on the right is shown the Empress of China, wife of the unfortunate ruler, whose very existence is overshadowed by the stern old dowager.

CURIOUS FACTS OF COMMERCE

America Imports Five Million Dollars Worth of Autos and Also Exports as Much.

HEAVY IMPORTS OF COTTON AND COPPER

Though United States Produces Over Half of World's Copper Supply, She is One of the Largest Importers of That Metal.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, March 4.—The ebb and flow of the commerce of the United States presents some curious facts, statistical and commercial. These are the more readily observed by certain figures compiled by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor and made a part of its monthly summary of commerce and finance covering the calendar year 1906.

ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills.

Must Bear Signature of *Brentwood*

FOR HEADACHE, FOR DIZZINESS, FOR BILIOUSNESS, FOR TORPID LIVER, FOR CONSTIPATION, FOR SALLOW SKIN, FOR THE COMPLEXION. **CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.** CURE BILK HEADACHE.

nearly \$5,000,000 in value this figure was practically offset by the exports of automobiles, which mounted in value to \$4,409,136. Curiously, too, of this four and a half million dollars' worth of automobiles exported, over one million dollars' worth went to that great manufacturing country, the United Kingdom, and practically another million dollars' worth to other manufacturing countries of Europe. The tropical sections of the world, where horses cannot satisfactorily perform the service of local transportation, are already large purchasers of American automobiles. The total exports of this class of vehicles to Mexico having been in 1906, \$717,823, against only \$12,443 in 1905; while the West Indies and Bermuda took \$241,000 worth, South America \$107,000, Australia nearly \$300,000, and even the British East Indies \$34,111 worth.

Imports Much Copper. Another curious feature of our foreign commerce is found in the fact that although the United States produces one half of the world's copper and exports far more than any other country, it is also one of the largest importers of that commodity. The value of copper imported into the United States in 1906 was over \$12,000,000, including in this total \$1,250,000 worth of copper ore, while we were at the same time exporting over \$30,000,000 worth of that metal, including in this sum a little less than \$3,000,000 worth of copper ore, of copper ingots nearly \$8,000,000, and of other copper manufactures between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

Imports Much Cotton. Another somewhat surprising feature of our commerce is found in the fact that the United States, which produces three-fourths of the world's cotton actually imported last year from other countries nearly \$11,000,000 worth of raw cotton, to say nothing of cotton waste valued at over \$1,000,000, making the average importation of cotton into the greatest cotton producing country in the world about \$12,000,000 worth per month. The cotton so imported is, however, in most cases of a different quality from that produced in the United States, being chiefly Egyptian cotton of which the long and silky fiber is utilized in the manufacture of high grade cottons and in some cases for mixing with silk in manufacturing.

SCHOOLMISTRESS PROVES TO HAVE BEEN A MAN. (Journal Special Service.) London, March 6.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says a sensation has been caused there by the discovery that the head mistress of a girls' school, who recently died, belonged to the sterner sex. The "mistress" had led a very quiet and retired life, but was much esteemed by parents and pupils alike for her excellent teaching. Years ago, it appears, the man had been sent for

a political offense to Siberia, but escaped on the way thither, and, being able to secure a woman's passport, decided to adopt for good feminine attire and habits.

Congressmen Off on Junket. (Journal Special Service.) New York, March 4.—A congressional party, consisting of about 50 members of the senate and house, sailed for the Isthmus of Panama today on the government steamer Alliance. The party will remain in the canal zone until March 15 and will reach New York on their return a week later. Practically the entire ship has been given over to the legislators and the commission will afford them every facility for investigating canal work while on the Isthmus.

Food Poisons.

90 Per Cent of All Diseases the Result of Undigested Putrefying Foods. Men of affairs, women of society and children with active brains are too often sedentary in their habits, giving little time to exercise. To this evil is added that of high and irregular living—as a result, the stomach cannot stand the demands made upon it. The abused and overtaxed stomach does not properly do the work of digestion, food taken in ferment and the poison permeates the whole system. The body loses in weight and becomes a prey for the attack of whatever disease it may encounter.

Did it ever occur to you how busy that stomach of yours is? It only holds three pints, but in one year you force it to take in 3,400 pounds of material, digest it and prepare it for assimilation into the blood. No wonder it rebels when overworked. We crowd it with steaks and pastry, irritate its juices with spices and acids, and expect the stomach to do its work. It can't do it. All over the inner layer of the stomach are glands which secrete the juices necessary to digestion. The entrance of food into the stomach is the signal for these glands to do their work. The more the food, and the more indigestible, the greater the demand upon them and upon the muscles of the wall adjoining.

First, get a small package of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, taking one after each meal and at bed time. They will not be a medicine, but a digestive. Your stomach is worn out and needs help, not medicine. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will do the work that the stomach fails to do. There's enough power in one grain of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets to digest 3,000 grains of ordinary food, so you needn't fear that anything you eat will remain in your stomach undigested. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will rout the poison because they remove the cause—food fermentation. They are nature's own cure for dyspepsia. The host of troubles dyspepsia is father of cannot be numbered, for a healthy stomach is the source of all health. Seize your opportunity before worse conditions confront you. Send today for a free trial package of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. They will bring your stomach relief. P. A. Stuart Co., 43 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich. The 12 cent size for sale at your druggist's.

SURVEYORS IN INLAND OREGON

Five Short Line Crews Seeking Way Through Vast Undeveloped Region.

NOW ISOLATED WASTE BUT AN EMPIRE-TO-BE

Some Speculations as to Final Line of Road's Location—Vast Opportunities to Be Opened When Harney Country Comes In.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Burns, Or., March 4.—The Oregon Short Line has five surveying parties in the field in this county permanently locating the routes for the Oregon East-

ern from Ontario to Natron. The work is mostly finished from Crane Creek to the western boundary of Harney county, on an eight tenths grade, which is much less than expected when surveying was first commenced. There is one route being located through Malheur pass, going south of Malheur lake, then crossing the narrow channel of the lake near the town of Narrows, making a junction with the present line near Harney lake. The railroad goes about 30 miles south of Burns, dividing the valley nearly in two.

If the Narrows is the town to get the road it will be the distributing point for the largest single farming and stock raising area in Oregon that at the present time is undeveloped. Its backward state is owing to its being 150 miles from a railroad.

The Oregon Short Line owns the 18 miles of road that was completed from Ontario to Vale a few years ago and this will probably be completed to Harney valley this year.

There is no other county in the United States that has so much vacant government land as Harney. The southern part there are several large valleys that have no settlers except a few stockmen and there is no better land in the state for purposes of agriculture.

People of Oregon who have not visited this great inland empire would be surprised to know what opportunities are offered them to get homes in the great Harney country, which in the near fu-

IDAHO RAILWAY FARE STANDS AT 3 CENTS

House for Snake River Improvement—Senate Initiative and Referendum.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Boise, Ida., March 4.—The senate has passed house bills appropriating \$75,000 for state educational institutions, \$5,000 for the soldiers' home, \$20,000 for the new capitol building, \$10,000 for summer schools at Pocatello, Pines and Coeur d'Alene, \$50,000 for expenses of the Steiner-berg murder trial, \$10,000 for wagon roads in Idaho county and a bill to preserve G. A. R. monuments and records.

The senate resolution for the initiative and referendum was passed by that body. The house passed the health board bill as amended by the senate and the senate resolution requiring railroads to handle livestock on freight trains at greater speed.

House bills were passed as follows: A bill to reduce railroad fares in Idaho to 9 1/2 cents a mile was defeated.

TELOCAST MILL MAN HAS AN ARM BROKEN

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200 Miles an Hour With Absolute Safety and Comfort

The Greatest Opportunity Ever Offered to Get in on the Ground Floor With the Most Successful Inventor and Manufacturer of This Time. Carnegie, Rockefeller, Frick, Corey, Belmont, Pullman and Hundreds of Others Made Their Great Wealth by Early Investments in Manufacturing Enterprises. This Is Your Opportunity to Do the Same Thing, but You Must Act NOW.

I ran a machine shop and brass foundry in Minneapolis, I did the repair work for the Electrical Street Railways of St. Paul and that for several years. I was requested to change every dynamo put in by the General Electric Co. of the street railway magnates. I found the present system of running street cars was entirely wrong. I found I could get more power, greater speed, more safety and comfort by running cars with electro-magnets direct than by the roundabout, mixed up system now used by electric railways. With my system I can run a train 100 miles an hour with perfect safety. I have had charge of 100 expert mechanics at one time. All of my inventions have made greater success and enormous sums of money. The great successful barb wire business of today is built on my patents. The best money being made today in the manufacturing of harvesting machines is very largely based on my inventions. I invented the first switch and turnout that prevented the trolley wheel on trolley cars from constantly jumping the wire at crossings. For fourteen years I have studied how to make cars run faster, cheaper, safer than ever before. I am done experimenting.

I Have at Last the Greatest Invention of This Century. I Can Double the Earning Capacity of Any Steam or Electric Railway in Existence

I will remodel the whole railroad business. There is not a railroad in this country but that will sooner or later be compelled to adopt my system, because it is cheaper, faster, safer and more money-making than any other system. I absolutely control the next great step forward in the railroad world in my patents. Why? Because steam has run its limit! Steam cannot run a train 100 miles an hour and keep it up. The present third-rail systems cannot be depended upon for long distances. Their motors are likely without a hitch or breakdown, 80 to 100 miles an hour with perfect safety. They could not do otherwise, or a rail broke the cars would slip exactly in position on the track. They could not do otherwise, or a track into a river where a bridge is open. It would be impossible to run my cars off the end of a millionaires have tried to get control of my system, but I would not let them, because I preferred to protect my own and small stockholders' investments. Charles T. Yerkes offered me \$100,000 if I would throw my invention on the scrap pile and forget it. I did not want to be compelled to change his old cable system. Tom Johnson of Cleveland offered to furnish \$200,000 for my patent rights for over eighty miles an hour. Wall street capitalists have made five different attempts to gain control over the Letter Electric System, and Wall street generally knows a good thing when it sees it. I could not afford to let these big moneyed interests get control of my system, because I have therefore bound myself to this company, and to make small but safe and sure investments. I will personally see to it that every man and woman who makes an investment in this company will get a square deal. This is a square deal from start to finish.

This Stock Advances to \$4.80 Per Share at Midnight, March 9th

To prove that you will get a square deal I have had the following contract printed on the back of every certificate:

All or any share of the capital stock of the Letter Electric System will be redeemed by it at par or face value up to and including the 10th day of May, A. D. 1909, upon written notice properly given to said Company at its executive office in Chicago, Illinois, in a manner and form as provided by its by-laws, and adopted by a majority of the stockholders of this Company, so that all stock so offered for redemption, within any given period, may share equally and proportionately. However, the stock of this Company is only redeemable from funds received, or to be received, as royalties from railroad companies using the patents of this Company under license, and after proper action, as aforesaid, which may be received from stockholders direct, or from such of said railroad companies as have received said stock in payment for transportation, or otherwise. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, no stock shall be redeemed until after May 28th, 1909, except as the option of this Company.

MY AUTOMATIC SIGNAL SERVICE. I absolutely prevent collisions. Everywhere a car moves it sends signals, day or night. It is not affected by storms or any weather condition. My signal system does not require either hand or mind of man to operate. If through some accident one signal is broken, or otherwise put out of commission, another signal immediately takes its place. Every train dispatcher and operator on the road can see by his signals what the train men have to do with them. There is no forgetting. Every signal works automatically. When a train comes within a certain range, it sends a signal to the operator, and he is notified of the train's position. This is done by means of a bell or buzzer.

THE BUSINESS WILL BE IMMENSE. Because before long we will be putting my system on all the standard street and inland urban railways. Just think what an immense business that will be. One company alone now employs 15,000 men to make the present electric railway equipments and cars. Another firm employs nearly as many more. There are also thousands of men employed making standard locomotives and equipments. All of these will be bound to turn their eyes to my system, because the Letter Electric System will take their place and will employ thousands more.

INVESTIGATE US CAREFULLY. Come and see this most remarkable invention of the twentieth century. It is the next great step forward in the railroad world. It means the ultimate changing of our present steam and street railroad over to the Letter Electric system, not only because it can run faster, but it saves about 100 per cent in operating expenses and thousands of lives. It means better and cheaper travel and greater profits to the railroad managers and stockholders.

NO LUCKING SOMEONE ELSE THIS. We have no stockholders or branch organizations for the purpose of fooling people, and will have none. All business is to be done on contracts to be performed by, with and for the Letter Electric System. This company does not contract with any construction company having offices connected with this company. This means that we will not allow the company officers to let contracts to themselves under the guise of a construction company, or a company of any other kind, to defraud the stockholders.

EVERY SHARE OF THE SQUARE. Not a dollar's worth of stock will be sold which does not represent exactly the same amount of stock and at the same time of dollar represents. The stock is FULLY PAID and NON-ASSASSINABLE.

WHAT EXPERT ENGINEERS SAY. These are the most expert engineers who have examined my system, and hidden on my car, and they have written reports on what they saw and found. The engineers are John Nelson, city engineer of Chicago; Karl L. Lehmann, consulting engineer of Chicago; and F. W. Capellen, former city engineer of Minneapolis, Minn. They declare the system successful, simple and practical, and point out many other features wherein the Letter Electric system is an improvement over the present system.

OFFICE OPEN SATURDAY EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK

The Undersigned is Our Fiscal Agent for the West. Address All Inquiries and Orders to F. H. JOHNSON, Fiscal Agent, 425 Fidelity Building, Tenth and Washington, Portland, Oregon.

POINTS TO REMEMBER ABOUT THIS SYSTEM FOR STREET RAILWAYS

There are no overhead wires, no third rail, no slot in the street, no underground cables, no obstruction in the street. The cars can be run faster, safer, easier and more comfortably than any other system known. It is cheaper to operate, uses a half less fuel at power house, is cleaner, safer and quicker in operation than any other system. Cannot be stopped by sleet or snow, rain, fog, grease, dirt or any other similar obstruction on the track. It cannot produce electrical shocks on water pipes or conductors in the streets, which is now such a heavy expense to cities under the trolley. It cannot interfere with any other electric work, requires less current than other systems, and develops greater power. It is controlled by one lever, and is always under the most absolute control, anywhere, and under all conditions. It is so simple, there are no gears, levers, motors or other machinery to grind, smash or rattle. There are no "bursts" of motors, but it runs as smoothly as a motor to burn out. It is impossible for a man or beast to get a shock from an electric current.

POINTS TO REMEMBER ABOUT THE LETTER ELECTRIC SYSTEM TAKING THE PLACE OF FREIGHT STEAM RAILWAYS

It does away entirely with locomotives, heavy motor cars, electric engines and all other similar, heavy and expensive machinery. A road of 80 to 100 miles an hour can be regularly reached and maintained for any distance. Steam whistles and whistles are not needed by the Letter Electric system. Trains can be started and stopped quicker than by any other system and without discomfort to passengers. Power houses can be placed 200 miles apart. No brakes are required. The stopping is done by reversing the current. There is no flattening of the wheels and consequent jarring of the cars. The cars do not grind on the rails to start trains, hence no holes or depressions are made. It is easier on the roadbed and more, and practically no repairs will be needed.

OUR BARELY MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN

For every 10 shares, \$10 cash and 8 monthly payments of \$2 each. Total, \$46. For every 100 shares, \$100 cash and 8 monthly payments of \$20 each. Total, \$460. Any other number of shares, up to 5,000, at the same rate.

For value of all shares, \$10 per share. Not more than 5,000 shares to any one person. All remittances must be made to either post-office money order, registered letter, express money order or first class New York or California. If you let this opportunity get by without taking all the stock you can possibly buy you will lose it. It is the position of the man who refused to buy Bell Telephone stock when it could be had for small money and later saw it sell for thirty times what he would have bought it for.

SECURE YOURSELF A LIFE INCOME NOW

For every 10 shares, \$27. For every 100 shares, \$270. For every 1,000 shares, \$2,700. For every 5,000 shares, \$13,500. The price of this stock will be 10 shares \$54, 100 shares \$540, 1,000 shares \$5,400, 5,000 shares \$27,000.

Call and see me and let me explain exactly how you can understand this plan. I am at my office every day from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

If you can't call, write for booklet and engineers' reports to our FISCAL AGENT.

This Letter Electric Train Will Run 80 to 100 Miles an Hour and Without the Possibility of Jumping the Tracks—Safe and Sure. Highest References.