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AN IMPORTANT SUGGESTION.

Something must be done for our county roads and the sooner that something is begun the better. Judge Thornbury informs the CHRONICLE that a levy of twenty-three mills will about meet our county expenses for the current year. That means a levy of two mills less than last year. Now the Chronicle suggests that the court fix the levy at twenty-five mills, the same as last year and devote the two mills to the improvement of our county roads. Hood River needs road improvements, Tygh Hill demands a new grade, the read between here and Long Ward's needs permanent improvements to make it passible at times when it is most needed, other road improvement that cannot possibly be made by the ordinary work of the respective road districts. Two mills will give between five and six thousand dollars for this work and this sum judiciously spent will do an immense amount of good. The addition of two mills to the tax levy will never be felt by the farmers. It means only a couple of dollars additional on each thousand dollars of taxable property. The farmers cannot afford to kick because they will reap the greatest benefit from the tax. The Dalles ought not to kick because every dollar it pays in this way will come back again ten fold. Let all who are interested in the improvement of our county roads attend the meeting at the county court room tonight and resolve that the tax levy shall be increased two mills to raise a fund for this much needed work.

The Australian ballot law may not accomplish all that some people expect but it cannot fail to greatly embarrass the sunday schools, and who had about and are very product their ancestors, who within a few weeks possession, quietly performed a feat the work of the old line ticket peddler and ted on the outside. The voter must receive his ballot from a sworn officer. After receiving it he must go into a booth or closet where no one can see him and there prepare it himself. This may not curely tied it with a string and placed it put an end to bribery but it will go a long way towards that end. The man who would offer a bribe can never be sure the goods are delivered. It will put an end to the abominable system of ticket fixing. The grand old method too of filling voters full of beer and whiskey, preparing their ballots and marching in the barrel it dawned upon the young them up to the polls like so many sheep will get a set back. Bulldozing and coercion will give way to reason and moral sussion. Of course the bosseswill find some way to get around some of the provisions but they cannot get around them all or at least not all at one time and loop holes, if any are found, can | Huntington Journal. be patched up by the next legislature.

Secretary of State Weir of Washington is authority for the statement that Senator Allen has announced his willingness to accept the appointment to the judgeship of the ninth district in case it be tendered him. Mr. Weir thinks that Allen will receive the appointment or the president will name one outside the state. It is understood that Senator Allen supported W. Lair Hill as long as there was any hope of his appointment.

United States Consul Page of Port Sarnia, Canada, has merely spoken the public mind when he remarks in the latest Consular Reports that "there is no such thing as a middling good egg." Our grocerymen will please make a "red ink" memorandum.

Representative Wilson voted for Holman's nickle-in-the slot resolution against appropriations and the Washington papers are demanding of John L., why he trained with the democrats when that particular buncombe resolu-

tion was on the tapis. The Oregonian's Washington correspondent says Governor Pennoyer is not in the race for president, but Tony Noltner's paper says that the Oregonian any nation. The value of exports excorrespondent can lie like Bill Nye.

The ministerial vote on the eligibility of women to the general conference in the entire Methodist Episcopal church to obviate the disagreeable jar and resulted as follows: Total vote cast, other objectionable features of the carts 10,756; for 5621; against, 5135; majority now in use.

James Johnston, the man whose back was broken last summer by being thrown from a hand car on the Beech Creek railroad, died on Saturday at his home, near Kyler's mill. Johnston was buried by the township overseers of the poor. The noteworthy on account of the difficulties attending it. Johnston's house is on the right hand of Moshannon creek, in a wild, lonely spot, remote from other the ton. This gold field of Solomon's, houses and almost inaccessible.

The only approach to it is by a narrow, rickety foot bridge which spans the creek, which on Saturday was swollen by the recent rains to a raging torrent. The coffin had to be carried across the bridge, and the task, after several attempts, was accomplished by making a harness of straps fastened to each end of the coffin and buckled around the shoulders of two men, who by clinging to the single handrail succeeded in getting across, although the frail bridge swayed

and sank with their weight until the swift current splashed over it. After the body was placed in the cof-fin the men started back. They found that with the additional weight of the corpse the bridge would not bear them, and, after several ineffectual attempts to carry it over, they finally got 'it over by rigging a harness to the stoutest man, who then dragged it over with much difficulty and peril.

There was no minister present, no mourners and no funeral services were "1 did not think there was anything of held over the poor fellow's body.-Philadelphia Letter.

Hunting with Trained Bald Eagles. An Indian boy belonging to the Sioux tribe has a pair of pets which are not only strange and interesting, but are useful as well. These are two large bald

The young Indians are fond of hunting, but are not allowed to own or carry guns, and the result is that they are compelled to use the bow and arrow, which they use with great expertness. The boy shot an old eagle and wounded It flew to its nest, and he followed until he saw where the home of the bird was. He then killed the wounded bird places in the county are also crying for and waited until its mate appeared and also killed it.

Climbing to the nest he found two young ones, which he took home with him and began a course of training which has resulted in his having the birds so fully under control that they come and go at his command. He takes them out, and when he sights any quar- stones. An exhibition of his skill, which ry he turns his eagles loose, after fastening their beaks so that they cannot eat set up a scythe blade, edge toward him, the animal, and the birds immediately give chase and bring down the prey.

half old, and are large and strong enough to bring down a fawn. The boy is the most successful hunter

The eagles are now about a year and a

of the tribe, and never goes out without bringing home some game, from a rabbit to a deer. The officers at this place do not see that this is more difficult than want the eagles, and have offered the boy what probably appeared to him to be fabulous sums for them, but he steadily refuses all offers.--Cor. Boston Globe. A Sleep Walking Sunday School Teacher.

treasurer of a mission band in one of our Machias. Machias people know why, Sunday schools, and who had about and are very proud of the exploit of other night that was quite dangerous. naval engagement and captured a British ward striker. The state prints the The lady referred to arose at a late hour, schooner which was blockading their tickets and allows none to be distribudressed herself, went to the bureau port. The captain of the British schooner where she had placed the five dollars and took it to a little room in the house down the liberty pole which they had which the family did not occupy. Gathering together a few old skirts she wrapped the money up in them and then se-skirmishing of an inconclusive nature. in a dark, hidden corner.

After this was accomplished she went into her brother's room, took his loaded retta. The engagement was brisk, and revolver and started for the yard. It is the Americans succeeded in boarding not known just how long she was out of doors, but the next morning the revolver pulled down the British colors. Machias was found in a barrel at the rear of the lot. When the revolver was discovered lady that perhaps some person had been in the house and taken her mission money, and she quickly went to the bureau where she had the money con-cealed. On reaching the drawer she found that it had disappeared. A thorough search was given and the money found in the place above mentioned .-

Coats and Overcoats.

A clothing dealer says that about onefifth of the masculine portion of the city's have been inundated of late with busts population go through the winter without overcoats. In most instances the cause is the lack of money to make a purchase, but there are men who are able to buy but who refuse to wear a top coat. Some of these prefer two or more suits of underclothing to an overcoat. A great many whose occupation keeps them indoors constantly invest their money in street car rides on cold days and get along well enough without

A well to do merchant scouts the idea of more than one coat at a time. He keeps an assortment of coats of varying weights and uses them in accordance with the high or low temperature. He insists that it is the only way to avoid colds, which comes from overweight of ter weather.—St. Louis Republic.

Some immense vegetables were lately exhibited at Great Falls, Mon. There pounds, a twenty pound turnip, a five pound potato, a pumpkin weighing 120 pounds and a cabbage three feet in diameter, all raised in that vicinity.

The record made by the United States in the line of exportation of its own products during the past twelve months was greater than ever before made by ceeded \$100,000,000.

Annie R. Chittenden of Osceola has patented a road cart which is designed to relieve the animal of all strain and An Ancient El Dorado

On the identical spot where King Solomon procured "golddust, peacocks and monkeys," a syndicate with \$5,000,000 capital stock issued and a ten stamp mill erected, has just pounded out \$55,-000. Mount Ophir, of scriptural recircumstances attending the burial are nown, is close by. The old rocks, which were too low grade for King Solomon's reduction processes, are being ground up and they average half an ounce to

which has been idle all of the centuries

until now, is on the Malay peninsula. The people who have gone in to de-velop it have had to cut seven miles of road through the jungle and clear sixty miles of river. They are just beginning to realize on their investment. The company with the big capital has a concession on twenty square miles of this gold field. The formation is black slate. A shaft sunk 100 feet on the lode has uncovered enough ore to keep the mill going a year. The ore will yield two ounces to the ton. In one place on the concession there is a hill 250 feet high and half a mile long.

The company has tunneled into this hill about half way from the bottom and found ore ranging from seven pennyweights to seven ounces of gold. The reef varies in width from two to nine feet. Even the loose rocks scattered about on the hillside vield half an ounce of gold to the ton. The superintendent said to the American consul recently: this kind so extensive in the world. Wherever you try you find gold." Raub is the modern name of the ancient el dorado.-Wilmington Letter.

A Remarkable Stone Thrower. It is supposed that we have no men nowadays who could compete on even terms with the old archers. A man named Uri Bailey recently died in Pennsylvania who was worthy of a place with the old time soldiers. His skill in throwing stones was said to be marvelous. He was mentally deficient, but a giant phys-

ically. His aim with stones at any mark or game was as unerring as that of the most skillful handler of the rifle. He annually bagged scores of small gamepheasants, rabbits, quails and squirrels,

which he killed with stones He could kill a bird on the wing or a rabbit at full speed almost as easily as he could kill it at rest. He had a large leather pouch attached to one side of his coat, in which he on all occasions carried a good supply of carefully selected was always a favorite with him, was to apples in halves by throwing them against the edge of the blade.

He could almost exactly halve two out of every three apples he threw. Robin Hood's great feat of skill was to set up a peeled sapling at a considerable distance and split it with an arrow. We SPECIAL :-: PRICES splitting the apple on the scythe blade.

—Rural New Yorker.

Why It Was Named Machins.

A young lady of this place who is the gunboat launched at Bath, Me., the set up on their common. The men of Machias refused, and there was some

> Finally some bold spirits in the town fitted out a sloop and attacked the schooner, which was named the Margapeople claim that the Margaretta was the first British vessel captured in the Revolution, and their exploit is sometimes called "the Lexington of the Seas." Machias is an historical place, and if the gunboat is handled with the old Machias spirit she will give a good account of herself .- Boston Transcript

> Boulanger Souvenirs Pawned. A curious result of the decline and fall of General Boulanger has been brought to light in the public pawn offices. These state supported establishments, called generally monts de piete, and medallions of the defunct general. The pledges in marble, plaster of paris or bronze have been put in the clou by poor enthusiasts, who in the days of Boulanger's brief glory desired to have a memento before them of him whom they deemed to be the "coming man." One branch office in the Montmartre-Clignancourt district, where M. Boulanger was particularly popular, is said to have nineteen busts of the departed agitator.-London News.

The Land of Bloodless Revolutions. The recent revolution in Brazil is an other instance of the peculiar character of the government changes in the great South American republic, and the strange thing about them is that revoclothing that is used in all kinds of win- lution follows revolution always without bloodshed. The late Dom Pedro abdicated and went into banishment without war; the president who succeeded him, and who undertook unsuccessfully is a sugar beet weighing twenty-five to play the part of dictator, yielded to indignant popular opinion without shed-ding blood, and now another government has been set up, and so far the in-ternal troubles have caused no blood shed .- Forum.

Visitors to Werkhojaust, Siberia, complain of the coldness of the place. The thermometer is said to have registered on occasions as low as 81 degs. below zero, and that the ground freezes to a depth of 400 feet.

The population of the Cherokee Nation, which has recently sold 6,000,000 acres of land to the government, is about 30,000. The Cherokees are a highly civilized tribe of Indians.

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