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TWO SHIP CANALS

A few months ago the CHEONICLE rethe canal between the Saronic and Corin. above dispatch had the effect of making thian Gulfs in Greece, which will make the Peloponnesus an island. The canal is now completed and open to commerce. It is only 41 miles long, but it has cost \$14,000,000, exclusive of interest, and it will save steamers going to and from Athens about 17 hours. Its length is about that of the Hoosac tunnel, which cost very much more. Its depth is described in some accounts as 24 feet and question of time, depending upon the in others as the same as that of the Suez rapidity with which collections are made. canal, which was originally 26 feet at Much depends upon debtors, who should the shallowest point, but has been deep- make every effort to pay the whole or ened two feet recently. But owing to a part of their notes, and assist the the high ground at about the middle of banks in every possible way. the canal of Corinth it was necessary to make a cut there of 260 feet, and, unlike get," said Mr. Wightman, "and the the Suez canal, the walls are vertical, creditors must assist, as well as being protected from caving in by walls debtors. We can't make fish of one and

which is to make one of England's largest inland towns practically a seaport, it ling to get depositors to sign certificates is said will be completed in about six of extension. This is done simply to months, at a cost of some \$50,000,000. It satisfy the comptroller. After the banks of 172 feet at the surface and of 100 feet, plan that is being put into operation suof over 10,000 persons, which will be coninth is entirely on the sea level, but the extension from their creditors. In a fact that Manchester is 60 feet higher simply a case of reciprocity. The plan so that all kinds of vessels may be handled without waste of water. Where the canal joins the Mersey river the dimen. geles. sions of the locks are respectively 600 feet by 80, 350 by 50, and 150 by 30. Besides the ordinary gates, these locks are protected by storm gates, each 46 feet in depth and the largest pair weighing nearly 600 tons. The gates will be open and shut by hydraulic power. Docks have been built at Manchester with 114 acres of water space. A feature of the work has been the construction of a etone wall in one place nearly fa mile long, 140 feet thick at the base and 75 feet thick at the surface. It involved the driving deep in the sand of 150,000 piles nearly 40 feet long. In one case a river has been carried 18 feet beneath the canal bottom in a syphon consisting of iron tubes 12 feet in diameter imbedded in two feet of concrete. Hallroads are carried over the canal on swing bank affairs of Denver, and we again bridges nearly 100 feet high, one of them being the largest swinging bridge in the world, and the Bridgewater canal crosses the Ship canal on an iron aqueduct which is swong like a drawbridge to allow the passage of vessels.

years and was begun in 1887 after \$750 .-000 had been expended in promoting the lows enterprise. The entire cost was originally estimated at only \$32,750,000. The working force has often exceeded 17,000 men at a time, and 170 locomotives, 245 steam cranes, 130 portable and other steam engines, 200 steam pumps, 100 steam shovels, and about 6,000 dump wagons have been constantly employed. The total amount of excavation has been estimated at 46,000,000 cubic yards, onefourth of which was sandstone rock. The embankments constructed in the tidal regions are nearly ten miles long altogether. The work that remains to be done consists chiefly in clearing away construction material and connecting who need their money. the various sections, which will have to be tested and filled in turn separately before the canal is formally opened, an event that is set for next February or March.

The ministerial alliance of Denver has prepared a memorandum to be sent to the president, asking that he set aside a national day of prayer and fasting. The address cites the existing financial distress and the great paralyzed sense of the nation, and petitions the president to set aside a day when the people shall gather in their accustomed places of worship and pray that the nation may be rightly guided in its present straits. In times of sore distress it is natural for the human family, who are as a body religiously inclined, to seek the throne of grace for relief. The last notable in-

Toe Dalles Daily Chronicle. stance was in 1881 when the churches of for the restoration to health of President Garfield, but without avail. There is much more reason in the present instance to continue chastisement for wrong doing in electing the democrats

CONCERTED ACTION NEEDED

Much Depends Upon Creditors of Closed Banks as Well as Debtors.

Thursday morning's Oregonian stated that "a dispatch was received from Washington, D. C., saying that Comptroller of the Currency Eckels had received reports from the examiners in charge of the suspended national banks to the effect that conditions were favorable and they were preparing to resume." The natural conclusion was that the banks had all the money necessary for reopening, and that all that was necessary was the comptroller's consent to resame business, and it was so stated in addition to the above dispatch. It seems, however, that this was a mistake.

as the banks have not yet the necessary amount of money, and it will probably be some little time before they get it. unless the debtors make more effort to ferred to the approaching completion of pay their notes. The publication of the aperient, or strongly cathartic, aca marked decrease in the payment of bank notes, the holders taking it for granted that the banks were not so hard factory in result. pressed as was generally supposed. The fact is, however, that all the suspended banks are working hard every day to get affairs into shape for reopening, and Bank Examiner Wightman says that they will all resume, but that it is a

"The banks need every cent they fowl of another. All must be treated The great Manchester Ship canal, alike and all must stand together. As to the creditors, the banks are endeavor-

is a little over 35 miles long, with a min- are reopened a short time these payimum depth of 26 and an average width ments can be anticipated. This is the at the bottom. There are nearly 300 cessfully elsewhere and there is no good towns, most of them with a population reason why it can't be done here. The banks almost invariably grant extensions nected with the great canal by rivers to their debtors, and it is only fair now and smaller canale. The canal of Cor. that the banks should have a reusonable

than Liverpool involves the employment I adopted in Los Angeles and I seen had in the case of the English canal of four the banks doing business again. The series of locks, which are constructed in same thing can be done in Portland if groups of three of different dimensions, the proper spirit is manifested. It is now being done in Denver by Examiner Lazear, who worked with me in Los An-

HOW WAS IT DONE IN LOS ANGELÉS. Mr. Wightman received yesterday a M. copy of the Denver Post, containing the

"Up to August 7th \$1,400,000 had been signed in Denver to the depositors' agreement with the suspended banks.

"Senior Examiner Lazear is very anxious that the depositors come in promptly and sign the agreement, as a number of the banks are only waiting on them to do so before resuming business.

"My aim all along has been to show the people that it is to their best interest to assist the banks to an early reopening by signing the agreement," said Mr. Lazaar. 'Myself and the other examiners continue to urge this as the best and most speedy way of settling the for al prge everyone with a deposit of more than \$100 to come up and sign.

"On this point the People's National has received an interesting letter from Southern California, where Mesers, Lazear and Eldridge had the same plan of The canal has been advocated for 25 operation, and where the results are most satisfactory. The letter is as fol-

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