CONTEST FOR OREGON NEWSPAPER WRITERS.

Commercial Club of Portland Will Give \$200 in Prizes for Best Written Article on the State-Must Leave Out the Word "Webfoot"-Short Articles Are Preferred-Everybody Eligible.

Following is the circular letter issued by the Portland Commercial Club, offering cash prizes for the best written articles on Oregon. Special instructions are given and everybody interested in the development of the state is invited to enter the contest. To the People of Oregon, Greeting:

The Portland Commercial Club offers two gold medals and \$200 cash prizes for articles on Oregon. under the following conditions:

For the best article appearing in the regular edition of any newspaper other publication printed outside of the state of Oregon, to be competed for only by persons residing in gon and not living in the city of Portland, choice of a gold medal or \$50

For the second best article, either the gold medal or \$50 in cash, depending upon selection made by the winner of first prize. Article winning third prize will be

given \$25. Fourth prize will be \$15, the fifth

prize \$10. medal and \$100 will be distributed in sition they now hold." as the gold medal and \$100 are to be distributed to residents of Oregon

outside of Portland. The reason for having these articles printed outside of the state is ladin two years ago with an attendthat we want the people away from home to know our advantages, and then we desire the Portland and Oregon papers to be relieved from any embarrassment that might arise ing the young members of the race to through having to decline articles high ideals of right living socially. Articles containing the expression morally religiously and industrially. "Webfoot," will not be allowed to

compete The governor of the estate will be asked to appoint a committee to decide as to the winners in the state contest, while the Mayor of Portland will be requested to name the committee that will select the winners in this city.

One of the chief reasons for offering these prizes is to give the younger generation an opportunity -to do some pleasant work during vacation. This is a busy age and no article is desired exceeding 5000 words-those of about 1000 words preferred.

No articles will be accepted in competition except where the newspaper or other publication is submitted complete. The articles submitted become the property of the Portland Commercial Club, to be used as desired.

The contest closes October 1, 1904. We believe that there will be an interesting competition for these prizes, and feel sure that many news papers throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and other countries will be glad to secure interesting matter relative to the most fertile state in the Pacific Northwest. Articles in language will be accepted.

are, very truly yours,

H. M. Cake President THEO B WILCOX Chairman Executive Committee Portland Commercial Club Portland, Oregon.

TRAILED BY BEER BOTTLES.

American Brewing Company's Version of the Beer Trade. Wherever an American army

passed in the war with Spain," said the observant man, "its pathway was clearly indicated by a trail of empty bottles. There were beer bottles flung away along the fine of march in Cuba, it seemed to me, to pave the streets of a city the tor-Yes.

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Not Medicine.

FOR PRIZE ARTICLES size of St. Louis. 1 found the same condition in the Philippines, when I was sent over there later, and afterbellion.

"Now, during the civil war they used to say that the route of the army was marked by a trail of empty whisky flasks; beer was at that time comparatively unknown beverage to Americans. But that trail of beer bottles in Cuba and the Philippines shows the change that has taken We have become a place in years. nation of beer drinkers.

"It is always interesting to trace the growth and spread of any custom affecting nations, and I have devoted some attention to the beer drinking habit. The German immigration to this country first created a demand for beer, and its importation was heavy.

"American brewers kept improving their processes all the time and finalthe American began to like drink. Today our importation of beer is almost nil, and we make beer that will compare with any in the world.

"Take the A. B C. beer of the American Brewing Company of Louis, for instance. There is a beer, made from the finest grade of hops and the choicest parley malt, that is not equaled by any beer made. Science and every sanitary precaution enter into its make, the result being a beverage that is not only absolutely pure, but is at the same time palatable and highly nutritious

"It possesses all the essential quala perfect beer. It is the only beer that does possess all these qualities, because it is the only beer botexclusively at the brewery by its makers. It is the work and methods of such brewers as the American rize \$10.

To residents of Portland a gold American beers the commanding po-

Congress of Negroes.

Natchez, Miss., Aug. 22-The Negro Young People's Christian Educational Congress, which was launched in Atance of 1500 began a week's session in this city today. The object of the organization is to follow out Booker Washington's teachings by encourag-

Bridges In Kores.

Some idea of the delights of traveling in Korea is given by the following de scription by a traveler of the "bridges" in that country: A first class bridge in Korea is simply an assortment of planks nailed together. These are scarce. A second class bridge is a series of isolated stones, from one to another of which the visitor may jump. A third class bridge, much the commonest variety, is invisible, its position being indicated by a couple of posts, one on each side of the river. . They mean that you may safely wade across as the water will-probably-not go much above your chest!

Cannon were small, measured by modern standard, in 1812, but the Ohio world was quiet, and the pioneers had keen senses. There is much evidence that the guns of Perry's squadron were heard by settlers living at least thirty five miles east of Cleveland, or nearly 100 miles in an air line from the scene of the famous fight which gave the control of the lakes above Ningara Feeling certain that this effort will falls to the Americans and did much result in much good to Oregon, we to save the northwest for the United to save the northwest for the United

All Have Tropbles.

"Everybody worries about money. "Oh, I don't know. Some men are so

"That's just it. Poor men worry be cause they can't get money, and the rich man worries for fear that it will get away from him." - Philadelphia Ledger.

Doctor-I found the patient to be suffering from abrasion of the cuticle. tumefaction, ecchymosis and extravasation in the integument and cellular tisme about the left orbit.-Judge-You mean he had a black eye? DocOne Exception.

It used to be told of General Logan, who was a member of congress at the breaking out of the war, that when he saw there was really going to be a fight he seized a musket, slipped out of Washington and walked all the way to Bull Run, where he arrived just in time to have a hand in the fray.

He wore a dress coat, but he stood his ground as long as any one. The rout was complete, and the next morning, a good deal out of breath, he was back at the capitol, telling some of his fellow congressmen what he had seen

"Who gave you this account of the fight?" asked a member from northern New York as he joined the group. "Why, I was there myself," said Lo

The New Yorker was mystified. Apparently be had not heard the news. "You were there!" he exclaimed. 'Are the cars running?"

"No," said Logan; "the cars ain't make out."

An Anecdote of Handel. in a shower of rain and being unprovided with an umbrella was obliged to seek shelter in a blacksmith's forge Either Handel was in a silent mood or else the blacksmith showed no conversational symptoms, for in a little while the latter began hammering away at his anvil, accompanying his work with a song. He little thought the use his visitor was making of him and his anvil, for it is said that Handel was listening all the time to the strokes of the hammering on the anvil. which, by producing two harmonic sounds, according in time and tune

with the tune the man sang, formed a bass accompaniment. Handel, on reaching home, remembered the nir shower of rain the composition known season. as "The Harmonious Blacksmith."

When He Killed His First Man. The killing of a brother man, even in battle, is a painful thing to remember. A soldier of the war thus vividly described his first experience:

"My first man I saw but twenty sec onds, but I shall remember him for ever. I was standing by my gun when a Confederate infantry soldier rushed 1 whipped out my revolver and took him through the breast. He tossed up his arms, gave me the strangest mile line which had been arbitrarily look in the world and fell forward upon drawn about the islands by the Ruscurling bair, a dark mustache and a handsome face. I thought the instant did their schooner approach anywhere I fired that I should have loved that near the rookeries than perhaps man if I had known him. I tell you around the nearest point of land a war is terrible business."-Youth's column of smoke would appear and

A Famous Quarry.

The entire mass of the Monte Sagro. 5,000 feet high, which dominates Carrara, is solid marble. One of the most famous quarries is in the valley of the Polraccio. From this were extracted in Roman times the 1,700 tons of marble that served for the construction of Trajan's column at Rome. Here Donatello got the block which he carved into his St. George, and Michael Angelo the one for his Moses. From here also came the huge block mentioned in the memoirs of Benvenuto Cellini. which served for the colossal Neptune Copper and Bering islands, are unproof Ammanati in the middle of the foun-tested tain of the Piazza della Signoria at

One of the greatest natural curiosisituated in Gusteinsla, about twentyfive miles southwest of the capital. Its apex is 14,450 feet above the level of the sea, and cuiti-sited fields and for est trees extend almost to its summit. It occasionally years forth torrents of pure cold water. On one occasion at "eruption" of this kind inufficited the northern valley and destroyed a whose village situated on the side of the

When a man says "Goodness only knows," he does not mean his wife, because if she only knows, everybody else is sure to know.

Russia's Rich Fur Fields Threatened

Among the most jealously guarded treasures of the Imperial Russian crown are the great seal and sea otter rookeries on the islands in the Ok hotsk sea and off the coast of Kams-

In 1854 and 1855, in the midst of the Crimean war, when the Russian warships had unavoidably been with drawn from the duty of guarding these valuable rookeries, a fleet of enterprising vessels, mostly American whalers, exploited them, many of them obtaining valuable cargoes of one vessel alone, a small bark halling from New London, Conn., se-curing no fewer than 55,000 fur seal all of which brought an unusu running, but every other thing in the ally high price in the London market state of Virginia is, as near as I could on account of the war then prevailing. and which had cut off the regular Russian supply.

The rookeries were for the time be On one occasion Handel was caught ing practically destroyed, and it was years before the Russian government was enabled to kill any of the fur bearing animals that used to abound in those islands. By careful management, however, the rookeries were gradually restored, and by 1875 they had so far recovered that the authorities were enabled to begin killing them in a small way.

From this time onward the scal herd showed a steady and healthy growth, although on account of the unparalleled boldness of the seal poachers who fitted out in Japan and sailed under various flags-American British, Dutch, German, Swedish, etc. the Russian government was obliged to maintain the strictest vigilance and keep a fleet of from four to eight and the bammer accompaniment. He war vessels constantly on guard wrote down both, and so we owe to a about the islands during the breeding

The best of the otter skins have never come to market; they have always been exacted and taken for the use of the Russian imperial family, and are consequently without price.

For years the Japanese pelagic seal ers have cast longing eyes at the rich treasures on the Russian islands, and have had to content themselves with such meager pickings as could glegned outside of a 30-mile limit off the islands

Occasionally a few of the bolder spirits would venture inside the 36-He had blue eyes, brown sian government, but nearly always with disastrous results, for no sooner ness a 16-knot cruiser at full speed a blank shot, next a shell or two, and few days after the vessel would join a fleet of others that had gone before at Petropaulski, while the unfortunate crew would be on board a steamer bound for Vladivostok, and it would e many years before they returned to their friends in Japan, while those who did return would always have a tale of horror to tell about the treatment they had received.

Today Russia is at war, her ships are either destroyed or bottled up in Port Arthur of Vladivostok, Her most charished possessions in Saghallen the Okhotsk sea, Kamschatka, and

No man of war will there be this year to threaten or to capture or ccize any of the numerous Japanese fishing vessels that are even at this ties in Central America is the Voican de Aqua or water voicane, which is most valuable jewels. Two large Jap day at 9 a. m., September 2, for the moment fitting out to despoil the Rus anese cruisers will accompany sealing and fishing fleet and give brick school houses above foundation. them protection if they require any. More than 200 vessels will be em-

ployed in the coming raid, and the value of the furs and fish that they undoubtedly will secure will amount to over \$7,500,000, while it is impossible to calculate the damage that will be done to the rookeries.

The sea-otter rookeries are without exception the richest and heretofore the most closely guarded preserves in the world. It is estimated that there are at least 6000 to 8000 sea otters and it is almost certain that the Japanese schoopers will obtain fully three-fourths of them, while they will also secure from 80,000 to 100.

For the first time in 50 years the priceless furs hitherto selected and kept for the imperial family, the crown sables and crown sea otter skins, will come into the market, and already the agents of some of the largest dealers in the world are gathering to secure them for their patrons, regardless of price.

And there is grim determination among the crews of the vessels now fitting out here. Many of them have had their own vessels seized and con-fiscated in previous years, and have been imprisoned in Vladivostok and ill-treated and starved there, but this year the Russian bear is helpless, his claws have been cut and his teeth drawn, and his hitherto closely-guard-ed treasures are at the mercy of the first comer.—Tokio Letter.

"I suppose," said the abscending cashier to the friend who had run across him in parts unknown, "that there was a good deal of talk about me after I disappeared?"

"I should think there was." answer-

od the friend. "Why, man, the weather wasn't mentioned at all for two

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> JOHN HAILEY, JR., Clerk. C. E. TROUTMAN.

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