NATURALIZATION LAWS,

Nearly all the trouble resulting from immigration is caused by natur alization being granted before the person understands the privilege. There can be no objection to a foreigner from any part of the world coming to the United States and enjoying the franchise if he is qualified to exercise it in an intelligent manner. If he is a German by birth he should renounce attachments which he may have formed to the institutions of faderland, and be in thorough sympathy with this form of government. The same is true of the Frenchman, the Scotchman, Irishman or Englishman. After naturalization they should be considered Americans, the same as natives of the soil, and not be distinguished as German-Americans, Irisin-Americans, Anglo-Americans, etc. They whould be thoroughly Americanized in a political sense, and mingle with the sovereign people in perfect equality before the law.

The elective franchise is not an inherent right. It is a privilege which may be granted or withheld by the sovereign power in any state, and should be most carefully guarded in all free governments. The foreigner is welcome to our shores; but befor he is clothed with all the rights of citizenship he should be competent and qualified to perform the duties. No one will deny the privilege of domicile to the subject of any empire, or citizen of a republic; but the state has the unquestioned power to throw any safeguard around suffrage that it may deem necessary. This is the general view taken of citizanship in the east, and we are glad to see courts taking a important matter.

Judge Dallas, of the United States court, lately rendered a noteworthy opinion concerning the law of naturalization. He holds it to be the duty of judges to hear evidence concerning the fitness of candidates for naturalization, and by inference, at least, he bolds it to be the duty of the state's attorney or some other law officer to act as council for the nation and to see that evidence as to unfitness is

presented properly. Judge Dallas' opinion is on parallel lines with that of Judge Yerkes, of Penusylvania, who recently put his ravished, his children slain. opinion into force by giving notice

having jurisdiction in naturalization habited by Christians. cases to do as Judge Yerkes has done, or to act upon the opinion of Judge Dallas. But the question rises as to whether it is not time for a congresstonal enactment defining the practice of courts in regard to this import-

It has been recommended wisely that the Republican organizations in large counties shall have a permanent committee on naturalization constantly in session and continually seeking after fit candidates and presenting them for admission to citizenship. This plan will work well in two ways -it will secure a more numerous naturalization of the fit, and it will give the party in opposition ample time and full chance to object to the

untit, if any such be presented. The hurry-scurry process by which thousands of aliens are naturalized in a few days prior to such election certainly is vicious. The act of naturalization should be a solemnity. Under present conditions it often partakes of the character of a farce

THE SON OF HIS FATHER.

fry have taken a back seat. Even port of a policy of disgraceful masterly Senator Cullom begins to wish that inaction. Nevertheless, the moral the man with the immortal name held sentiment of all Christendom calls a residence somewhere else than in 11- upon the powers to enforce the condilinois. Robert J. Lincoln never gave tions of article 61 of the treaty of evidence of possessing a superior Berlin. If they do not, war may folamount of brains, intelligence or low these atrocities in Armenia as it statesmanship, but his name may yet followed the Bulgarian atrocities of land him in the United States sen- 1878. Russia will have as good ex- sults. ate. - East Oregonian.

very acceptably the positions of secre- Bulgaria. The part of Armenia ceded tary of war and minister to England to Russia under the treaty of Berlin and in their arduous duties he has given complete satisfaction. If the menians on that side of the line are emergency should arise requiring treated just as are the Russians. This statesmanship of a high degree, the aggravates the condition on the Turkquiet, unobtrusive man as U. S. sena ish side of the line, and contributes to tor would rise equal to the occasion, He is the son of Abraham Lincoln. and the law of heredity has been demonstrated in ten thousand instances. Like always did beget like. and always will. If the great ext gency of the civil war had not happened while Lincoln was in the executive chair the American people would never have known his greatness that was so potent in guiding the ship of state through the terrible billows of civil war. Circumstances call into ac tive operation the elements in human character which constitute greatness, did. and these elements are never known to exist until called into active exer- friends of Hon. W. Lair Hill are the municipal affairs of the metropolis cise by unusual surroundings. These are anxious that he receive the appoint- of the country. facts well known to every student of ment of superior judge, to succeed F. President Cleveland is busy on his history, and are as applicable to great

generals as great statesmen. Every time the name of Robert simistic howl from Democratic edi-East Oregonian, appears to be mortally afraid that he has inherited some of the sterling qualities of mind and of the sterling qualities of m heart that have endeared the mem- Gov. Markham in so doing.

American people, and he undoubtedly has. To lower Lincoin in the estimation of the people they advocate a sort of political transcendentalism-that nothing is learned from experience, and that phenomena in this world produce different results from the e ascertained by actual experiments. Because Abraham Lincoln was a great and good man, therefore his son is a person of very medioore ability, and if we desire honest patriots we should discard the descendants of Washington and hunt up the progeny of Benedict Arnold, If any of the descendants of Alexander Hamilton were living they would likely be found wielding the pick and shovel as best suited their ability. This Democratic transcendentalism produces all kinds of inconsistencies and incongruities, and if followed completely everything taught by experience must be cast aside and re-

iance placed entirely on intiution. But the American people are too practical to be carried away by this new of Columbus. idealism. They honor Robert Lincoln The south is also awakening to the ecause he is the son of Abraham Lincoln, and if the opportunity ever presents itself he will be elected to the highest position in the republic samply

THE OUTRAGES IN ALMENIA.

The Kurdish atrocities reported by current dispatches are not sudden out breaks of unwonted cruelty, says the Inter Ocean. They merely are compressions into one day of devastation, violation, and murder, of deeds that generally are spread over i month or two. If the spoken evidence of Armenians who reside in America be worthy of credence, if the letters written by Armenians resident in move in the right direction in this Turkey to their friends and relatives in this country be truthful, then robbery, murder, and outrage are daily acts of the Turks toward the Armenians. Recent events are but those of

a gala day of Turkish oppression. The Armenian is a man and brother: he is a Christian also; further more, he is the most civilized of Orientale. He is robbed by the produgal Turk because he is thrifty, he is hated by the ignorant and Mussulman because he is intelligent, he is abborred because he is Christian. Daily he is despoiled and abused, periodically he is harried, his women that the officers charged with that duty

The political motive, if political b applications for naturalization, and let loose a hords of Kurds upon ould require all applications Armenia, and thus to supplant to be filed in advance, in the manner by a semi-nomadic and wholly Moham of civil suits, so as to give the manag- edan occupation a Christian populaers of political parties, or to citizens tion that may be suspected of syminterested in the public weal, time and pathy with Russia, Great Britain, or chance to bring evidence against the any other civilized power that shall attempt to establish a protectorate It is in the power of every judge over such Turkish provinces as are in

The possibility of such massacres as those reported yesterday was foreseen at the close of the Turco-Russian war, and was thus provided against in article 61 of the famous Berlin treaty, to which Russia, Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Austria, and

Turkey were parties: The Sublime Porte engages to realize without delay those ameliorations and reforms that local needs require in the prevnces inhabited by the Armenians, and guarantees their security against the Circussians and the Kurde. It undertakes to make known, from time to time, the measures taken with this object to the powers,

who will watch over their application. The last sentence enables the Eu. ropean signatory powers to enforce the guaranty of Turkey for protection of Armenia against Kurdish invesion and massacre. Civilization calls upon

more than barbarous. They are inhuman. A joint note from all the signatory powers, or even a joint protest by two of them, would bring Turkey to its senses. The hope of the Turks, the dread of the Armenians, is that Friends of Robert Lincoln are and Russia may lead the one to pre- that the action of Gov. Jones, of Alabooming him for the position of sens- vent any action by the other, and that bams, will be followed by other southtor from Illinois, and all the smaller each may draw other nations into sup- ern executives. cuse for interfering in Armenia in Hon, Robert Lincoln has occupied 1894 as she had for interfering in has been peaceful because the Ar-

> the discontent of Armenians persecuted by Turks and Kurds. Some Republicans are wishing that Oregon was a November state so she could cast her vote with a majority of the others. But we believe it is etter as it is, for Oregon generally leads the Republican column. In 1888 she gave a Republican majority of 10,000 in June for congressman and was followed by an avalanche in favor of the old party in November. This w s true during the last campaign, when the Republican ticket eceived the largest majority it ever

bench of California. Mr. Hill was formerly a resident of this city, and at one time a leading member of the bar Lincoln is mentioned there is a pes- of this state. He is an eminent juriest, him in his worry and pain. But great having codified the laws of Oregon and curiosity will be exhibited to hear his tore, who, like Bro. Jackson of the Washington, and is in every respect next message to congress, not because well fitted for the position. His many friends in Oregon will hope that he gouty toe; but for the reason that it was written by a person who had a gouty toe; but for the reason that it N. B. If you celle to take Hood's Sarrana.

the | BEGINNING TO BEAR FRUIT, tion of the American people. To write a message to the law making body of the nation under such circumstances The agitation against lynching has begun to bear fruit, says an exchange. The horrible butchery of half a dozen innocent negroes at Memphis to gratify a personal grudge and cover up crime has aroused the people of that city from their lethargy, and they have determined to punish the perpetrators of that horrible outrage. But the

prompt action of Governor McKinley and the courage of Colonel Coit in upholding the dignity of the law a Washington Courthouse, Ohio, have demonstrated that the mob can be resisted and the verdict of the court carried out at the point of the bayouet. There has been the most universal approval of the action of the officials in Ohio everywhere and by all people exept those who were engaged in that attempt to lyuch the negro Dolhy at Washington Courthouse, The Repubicans of Ohio are talking about nomnating Sheriff Cook for state treasarer, and the Democrats want to make Colonel Coit their candidate for mayor

danger of mob rule, and many of the southern papers heartily approved the action of the Ohio soldiers in firing upon the mob and protecting their or this reason. He is the son of his prisoner until the sheriff had landed father, and his father was Abraham him in the penitentiary. And now comes Governor Jones, the retiring executive of Alabama, with a mos forcible message to the legislature on this question. The governor admits that "within the past two years nine prisoners, who were either in jail or in the custody of the officers, have been taken from them without resistence and put to death" in Alabama. There was doubt of the guilt of the defendants in most of these cases." says Governor of Jones, "and few of hem were charged with capital ofenses. None of them involved the crime of rape."

> This official declaration from Goveror Jones, of Alabama, is a flat contradiction of the charges made by thos who have tried to excuse lynching in the south as only resorted to in cases of outrages against women. And yet the governor confesses that not a single arrest has been made, nor has any grand jury in his state returned a bill of indictment against lynchers. Of this negligence he says:

This would indicate either that local pub sentiment approved these acts of viowere in some way lacking in their perform ance. The evil cannot be cured or remethat he had set apart days for hearing a word fit, of the recent outrage is to died by silence as to its existence. Unchecked, it will continue until it becomes a cided. reproach to our good name and a menace to our prosperity and peace; and it behooves you to exhaust all remedies within your power to find better preyentives for such

He, therefore, recommends to the legislature that authority be vested in the governor to remove or suspend from office any officer who fails to resist mob violence against his prisoners, and he further recommends the enact ment of a law giving the family of any person put to death by a mob a right of recovery against the county where the crime occurred, unless blood is shed in defense of the prisoner or some of the participants in the mob are not convicted within a year.

This is we believe, the boldest official arraignment os lynching that has been made in this country by a state executive, and it is the more forcible because it comes from a governor of a southern state, who admits that he has been unable to have justice done because of the public sentiment in the localities where these lynchings occurred.

There can be no excuse for mob violence where are established courts, and where these are easily accessible to any one who has been wronged, or where there is no public sympathy with crime. The recent outrages in Armenia are The people of the south should believe in the supremacy of law, and the country would stand fairer in the eyes of the civilized world if they would permit the law to take its conrse in the punishment of all criminals. It is to be hoped that there will be a commendthe international jealousy of Britain able reformation in this respect, and

EDITORIAL NOTES.

in a coal mine near Wheeling, W. Va, yesterday, resulting in the death of ten unfortunate persons. Carelessness is always causing mischief, and should be punished when death re-

Two congressional candidates Georgia are so magnanimous that they will submit the matter to another vote, although on the face of the returns one has a majority of 7000. They are Populist and Democratic, but

the latter has the majority mentioned. It will be sad news to the lovers of music to learn of the death of Antone Gronor Rubenstein, the celebrated Rusian pianist and composer, in St. Petersburg yesterday. His fame has he is numbered among those who have passed to the silent shore, the melodi ous strains that he has given to the musical world will charm the ears of

many generations yet unborn. The dispotches state that good government was discussed at the annual banquet held by the chamber of comperce of New York city yesterday. This is rather late for the subject to come up for discussion, and it should have received careful attention long years ago. The old saying is, "Better ate than never," and there is a great An Oakland, Calif., dispatch says deal of room for improvement yet in

W. Henshaw, elected to the supreme message, and has no time for cabinet received the overwhelming condemnaTELECRAPHIC NEWS.

must be somewhat similar to pening Bob Ingersoll. one's own obituary. It is undoubtedly consoling to Mr. Cleveland's feelnes that there is a little touch of pain n his right toe, and it would be more in harmony with his perturbed mental state if he had rheumatism in his imbs, neuralgia in his head, toothdeclared tost it was a discrece to Cincin ache, and three or four carbuncles nati that its authorities should have per scattered over his ponderous physique. Japan has declined the offer of the resident of the United States as a pediator for peace in the war now ending between that country and The island empire has her blood just heated for the strife, and she has no desire or intention of quitting. The big Mongoholian empire is not too large for Japanese pluck and endurance to conquor, and before Japan cries "enough" she will have and that one great fault of workingmen

heart's content. The remains of Dr. McCosh, late president of Princeton university, were hid to rest in the cemetery of that city vesterday. Few men are better known in the theological world than Dr. Mc Cosh, and in his death stern, unvieiding Calvinism has lost its firmest supporter and orthodox Christianity a firm defender. He was a man of great scholaraly attainments, but his writngs principally treat on metaphysics. For a long time he was president of this well known university, and his reputation as an educator is very high

Perhaps in every region this side of tween prince and peasant, rich and poor, educated and ignorant.

endurance have no greater obstacle to overcome than the imbeculty of China's hordes the contest will soon be de-

York will become the chief wool of Hait Cheng. There was no loss on market of the United States." The either side. Herald says: "Now that foreign wool is to play so prominent a part in the manufacturing industry, it is patural that the scene of greatest industry should be at New York." It Mayor Dayis, are suxious that he receive has no sorrow about the slaughtered the appointment of superior judge, to flocks upon western farms. It only rejoices in the good fortune of the supreme bench. It is said that a petition Australian and South American far- in his behelf has been filed with Governor mers, as they add to the trade of Markham. Hill was formerly a resident mers, as they add to the trade of of Oregon, and later on was engaged in revising codes of Oregon and Washington. of the wool exchange of that city are preparing to build an enormous warelouse. They had better wait. The American sheep may do some butting inside of four years.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

To Bombard the Fort. TIEN Tein, Nov. 22-Reliable infor nation received here from Port Arthur shows that the first attack of the Japa nese drove in the Chinese outposts Three other attacks were subsequently were repulsed. Heavy and incessant firing has been going on since Tuesday. The Japanese are landing additional

bombard the forts Wednesday,

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 22-A special to the Star from Guansjusto, Mexico, says the legislature of that state has uganithe federal government all the state militia and munitions of war to aid in carrying on a war against Guatemala. The feeling of the people of Mexico against Justemala is very bitter, and the genera sentiment is in favor of war being declared without further delay.

Inside of the City

LONDON, Nov. 22-From Port Arthur the Graphic has a dispatch, dated November 19: Port Arthur resembles a city of the dead. The streets are empty The soldiers, of which there are 20,00 here, occupy the houses. All the troop here are of superior quality and are well armed and drilled. Ammunition is plentiful and the town is victually for

Heart Palpitation Indigestion, Impure Blood



C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.: have used a dozen bottles of Hood's Sarsapa-rilla in my family, and I am quite sure we have been greatly benefited by it. For years I have been troubled with indignation "Dear Sirs: - During the winter and spring I

rilla has done me very much good. We nave also gives at to the children for impure

Sarsaparilla

CINCINNATI, Nov. 20-Colonel R G ngers ill, at the Grand opera-bouse last Sunday night, made light of the dogmes of the Bible. At the Methodist ministers' meeting this morning, Rev. Paul C Cur nick, of St. Paul's church, Springfield, O .. mitted Ingerall to talk, laugh and seef association ought to take immediate steps towards swearing out a warrant for Inreply that he did not believe in the suppression of free speech, besides, they could not get a jury in Cincinnati to con Curnick, after some further discussion proceeded with his paper, in which he asserted that lapor unions were all wrong sliced China, with her sword, to her was that they advocated a reform of ex sting constitution

> CHICAGO, Nov. 20-Fire in the fashion able Victor flats, at Forty-four b street communicated to Knox & Dupont flats. causing a loss of \$100,000. The Victor building, five stories in height, was filled with smoke before the tenants learned heir danger. Some rushed to the lower windows and immed to the ground with out serious injury. Others in the upper tories were rescued by the firemen Several women were carried out, who had been rendered unconscious by the smoke The Victor was completely gutted, and two adjoining flats considerably damaged

bles, completely destroying them. The handsome residence of D. N. Desming,

Are Fighting Again

LONDON, Nov. 20-A Shanghai dis-

patch says severe fighting is reported to

want to save any wounded Chinese."

For Supreme Judge.

OAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 20-Friends of

LONDON, Nov. 20-A special dispatch

from Rome says Italy has informed the

powers she cannot approve of any form

nese and 300 Japanese.

The dead czar has at last been con-The dead czar has at last been con-signed to his narrow house of clay, carried the flames to a row of frame staafter nearly three weeks of unnecessary delay. But royalty must be issued into 4353 Greenwood avenue, was partly delife with considerable pomp and display, and there must be booming of annon, illuminated cathedrals, and array of glittering uniforms, and numerous prayers resited by well trained priests when any scion of a royal ouse is laid to rest in his last sleep. heaven there is fulsome flattery paid nese fleets. Two trained women nurses to position, but in the country bounded of the Red Cross Society, who were on the by the river Styx there is equality be-

A writer in Harper's Weekly says he Japanese soldiers have the perfection of drill of German troops and the fighting qualities of the Goorkhas. In the Satsuma rebellion in 1877 an imperial army of 3000 marched 64 miles in 24 hours, and fought a successful battle at the end of the journey. This is almost increditable; but soldiers who can accomplish such feats rank equal with the best known in the history of the world. The Grecian phalanx, Spartan endurance or the bravery of Caezar's legions could not accomplish more. When Japanese discipline, pluck and

It tickles the New York Herald to nese are said to have captured five guns.

of intervention between China and Japan. Another Battle. LONDON, Nov. 20-A Tokio corresvancing on that place.

under General Ms at Sin Yuen November A Yokobsma dispatch says a transport wite 1100 Chinese soldiers and coolies on troops. They warned a British vessel to board was burned while crossing Tallen the present exchange. It is believed keep clear, as their fleet intended to Wan bay. Five coolies were burned to here arrangements between the two na-

Message From the Mikade.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21-The state department has received a cable reply from Japan through Minister Dan, at Tokio, nously adopted a resolution offering to to the United States' suggestion of mediation. The Japanese legation at Washington has also received from the foreign office in Japan a cable stating that a reply had been made and giving 1:s terms. Both were received here Sunday afternoon. The fact that they had been sent first became known through a dispatch to the Associated Press from Tokio. This much having been known, the ofof the details of the reply. The cable to Secretary Gresham is accompanied by unusual dignity and formality in having the imperial sanction of his majesty the emperor of Japan. It is rarely the em so his action in this case is evidence of Japan's desire to express its approbation message is in two parts, the first giving the imperial expression of good-will and saving the success of the Japanese arm has been such that China should approach Japan directly; the second part is more presses the view of the Japanese foreign ffice that Coina, having no minister at Tokio should submit a direct proposition through Minister Dun. The cable to Minister Kurino is substantially the same

as the foregoing. A Collision. PITTSBURG, Nov. 21-In a collision between an electric and a cable car here today one woman was probably fatally injured. The gripman and three pass sengers were badly bart. The injured are: Mrs. C H Jones, head cut and bruised dangerously, Gripman Harvey Rea, badly cut about the head and arms; Michael Kombault, Miss Brown and an inknown woman. The electric car was scending a steep grade on Wyle avenue. rack. On reaching Fulton street the electric car stopped, but the brakes re-fused to work, and it began sliding back ward. Gripman Rea, on the cable car, reversed his brake, allowing the car to shide back as fast as he dared, in order to break the shock which was threatened

up unconscious, and it is feared she will The Murdered Man. OAKLAND, Cal., Nov. 21-The identity of the Oakland man who was murdered near Silver Lake, Or, several days ago, man protectorate, easy of accomplish-Hood's Pills cure all Liver Ills, Billiousness, Jaundice, Indiana. Sick Headache. 20. has not been established, at least so far ment. The German warship Bazzard and the English cruiser Curacoa are still he was acting as chief of police, Captain here.

The passengers on both cars were papic

stricken, and several leaped from the

platform before the collision occurred,

Women fainted and the excitement was

Lake asking for a photograph of the victim, but thus far no reply has been received. The fear that has been enterained that the murdered man was Charles ncreased by the fact that Schaessens, who went to Oregon the 20th of last month to prove up on a timber claim. was to have returned vesterday, and has not made his appearance at the restaurant n question. The fact that Schaessen is still missing lends color to the story that e has been done away with.

Tae Spokane Bank.

SPOKANE, Wash., Nov. 21-The Cities en's National bank will not re-open for usiness tomorrow. This decision was eached at a directors' meeting this afernoon. The bank will go into liquidaion, a receiver will be appointed to pay off depositors, after which the remaining assets will be turned over to the stockolders. The assets are \$425,000, and the liabilities only \$240,000. The bank's naper is understood to be first class. This institution closed its doors during opened under the authority of the conroller of the currency. At that time, it btained extensions from its depositors for \$172,000. All of this has been paid, aken \$70,000 out of the bank

Capture a Fort. LONDON, Nov. 21-A Chee Foo dissatch reports that the Japanese have cantured a fort two miles west of Port Arthur. The Chinese have taken refuge is reported they are short of provisions The Japanese are advancing down the penninsular safely. American missionaries at Tung Chow are threatened, and the cruiser Baltimore has gone to their by fire and water. High wind made the

COLLIERS, W. Va., Nov. 21-An exo'osion of coal dust occurred today in the Blanche coal works, near this place ime. It is not thought any escaped death or mury. Four have been taken out dead, and two fatally injured. The xplosion was caused by blasting.

have occurred at Port Arthur November 15. An English merchant captain has WASHINGTON, Nov. 52-If the mas been appointed vice admiral of the Chin Armenia turns out to be as dreadful as roported, this government will doubtless way to the seat of war to aid the wounded e requested to make an official inquiry, had to turn back, the Chinese authorities as there are a great many naturalized refusing to guarantee them protection They strongly represented the humanity of their mission, but Sheng, the taotal of Tieu-Tsin, said to them: "We do not

American citizens in that country. For vesrs it has been the custom of many Armenians to emigrate to the United States for the sole purpose of sequiring citizenship. They remain only long Chinese are flewing from Port Arthur, enough to become naturalized. As soon nese and Chiuese have just had an enas they get their papers they return to gagement, resulting in a loss of 100 Chitheir old homes, and thereafter demand the protection of United States ministers and consuls. This has been a continual source of irritation between the Turkish LONDON, Nov. 20-A dispatch from Shanghai says the feeling in favor of the Japanese in the invaded districts is growing. Mutinous Chinese soldiers are reunder which the United States relinquished all authority over and responsiported pillaging and outraging the billility for its naturalized citizens permainhabitants. The Japanese force under General Ozeka is appounced to have left Taku Shan November 10 to attack Sulven looh Yan), which the Chinese have fort Presbyterian Board of Missions and other bed. It is added the Japanese reached religious organizations, who held that the the town named Sunday morning and found the Chinese had fled. The Japanaturalized citizens from whom the protection of this government was thus with reason. Solomon H rsch, of Oregon, who was then minister to Turkey, although a enter upon any scheme for the irrigation Hebrew, agreed with the missionaries, of desert lands. It seems to be impracand told Mr. Blaine that he self compelled to resign if the treaty was ratified, tion of the existing desert land law as The present administration has adopted a policy, however, that conforms with the rejected treaty, and holds that natural-William Lair Hill, law partner of exed citizens of the United States who return to reside in the countries of which they were formerly suljects, do so at their land secured, it has been evident to me

and to Russians, but to na uralized citi-

tection of this government. This applies

not only to the Armenians in Turkey,

To Be Notified. WASHINGTON, Nov. 22-In accordance with the suggestion of Japan the state at Tokio, and Denby, at Peking, to trans mit direct any offer China may wish to in a body and in the best location make to Japan. The Chinese delegation utilize the water supply available fo here is not notified as to what course the ondent says Japanese Marshal Yamagata government will take. A cable from Ja- as can be irrigated, contract for the coneports, under date of Chi, Lien, that pan states, however, that China has in-General Osaka attacked the Chinese army timated a willingness to pay an indem -15. A second Japanese army was only all the war expenses incurred by Japan. 40 miles from Port Arthur and was ad- As the war expenses reach 150,000,000 taels, the total offer of China would be lands under the terms of the act can be 250,000,000 taels. A tael is a Chinese silver com worth about 75 cents at tions could be effected on terms providing for a smaller indemnity. Diplomats say under ordinary circumstances it would take some time for China to formally present its offer to Minister Denby. of Port Arthur about to make a last plow 40 acres, which would provide for the at China's greatest fortress, it is anticipated China may burry the negotiations to a conclusion. It is expected Minister Denby will transmit the offer by tele graph to Tien-Tsin and Shanghai, and

thence by cable to Yokohama Wants to Fight. CITY OF MEXICO, Nov. 22-The Unive al newspaper today contains a very warlike article regarding the Mexican-Guate malan trouble. It says: "In consequence of the continued attacks against Mexico and her government, made by the official Guatemalan press, it was rumored yesterday this country would declare dip end. In Guatemala they say the Mexicags always fled before the American and French. The world knows the Mexican soldier does not turn his back. witnesses of that, With Guatemala we do not expect glory or the gaining of isurels. We have offered them friendhip and they return black ingratitude, the humor to listen to the distribes of the Guatemalan press."

OTTAWA, Kan., Nov. 22-Charles and Henry Lathrop, Ottawa business men, out for a time turs morning, struck the wrong house, kicking in the door. Charley was shot dead, and Henry seriously wounded. The coroner gave the corpse to Undertaker Sessions, which so enraged an opposition undertaker that he It was the home of Mrs. Sherman the Lathrops tried to enter. Young Ben Sterman warned them to leave paid no heed and Ben Sherman blazen away. Mrs. Lathrop wanted Miller & Chalmers, undertakers, to direct the tuperal, but Cark & Sessions, baving got possession from Coroner Ewing, reused to give the body up, hence the

APIA. Samos, Nov. 7 (per steamer Mar iposa, via San Francisco, Nov. 22) -While there have been no recent native together with great force, derailing and wrecking both, Mrs. Jones was picked tinues, without any prospect of termination. The native rebels are so far from being subdued that many close observers doomed. The belief is becoming more general, too, that certain influential Germans are secretly aiding the rebel party, with a view to placing it in power, thus rendering German appexation, or a GerDESERT LANDS.

The following is Sena or Dolph's leter to the Oregonian regarding the appro pristion in the sundry civil bill, approved August 18, 1894. We quote: "Section 4. That to aid the public

and states in the reclamation of the

descrt lands thereis, and the settlement,

cultivation and sale thereof in small

tracts to actual settlers, the secretary of

the interior, with the approval of the president, be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered, upon proper application of the state, to contract and agree, from time to time, with each of the states in which there may be situated desert lands. as defined by the act entitled 'An act to provide for the sale of desert land in certain states and territories,' approved March 3, 1877, and the act amendator thereof, approved March S. 1891, bindin the United States to donate, grant and patent to the state free of cost for survey or price such desert lands, not exceeding 1,000,000 acres in each state, as the state may cause to be arrigated, reclaimed or occupied, and not less than 20 acres o each 160-acre tract cultivated by actual settlers, within 10 years next after the passage of this act, as thoroughly as is required of citizens who may enter under the said desert land law.

executed or any segregation of any of the and from the public domsin is ordered by the secretary of the interior, the state shall file a map of the said land proposed to be irrigated which shall exhibit a plan showing the mode of the contemplated irrigation, and which plan shall be sufficient to thoroughly irrigate and reclaim said land and prepare and raise ordinary agricultural crops and shall also show the ource of the water to be used for irriga tion and reclamation, and the secretary of the interior may make necessary regu lations for the reservation of the lands date of the filing of the map and plan of irrigation, but such reservation shall be of no force whatever if such man and p'an of irrigation shall not be approved . That any state contracting under this section is hereby authorized to make all necessary contracts to cause the said lands to be reclaimed, and to induce their with and subject to the provisions of this section; but the state shall not be author-

ized to lease any of said lands or to us or dispose of same in anyway whatever, except to secure the reclamation, cultivation and settlement. "As fast as any state may furnish satisfactory proof according to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the secretary of the interior, that any o said lands are irrigated, reclaimed and occupied by actual settlers, patents shall be issued to the state or its assigns for said lands so reclaimed and settled Provided, That said states shall not sell covernment and the United States, and of money derived by any state from the juring the last administration a treaty sale of said lands in excess of the cost of their reclamation shall be held as a trust fund for and be applied to the reclamation of other desert lands in such state. That to enable the secretary of the innently residing in Turkey. But it was terior to examine any of the lands that may be selected under the provisions of pposition of the American board, the this section, there is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the treasury, not

otherwise appropriated, \$1000. "By this section should the state of Oregon take advantage of it, a donation of hope that the general government wil ticable also to secure any such modificawill enable purchasers of such lands from the United States to economically secure their reclemation. If the water available for irrigation is to be properly utilized for some years that the desert land states must take hold of the matter. "Desert lands are now being sold for

\$1.25 an acre. Under the provision above quoted 1,000,000 of acres of land are to be patented to each of the desert land states when irrigated and sold to actual settlers in tracts of not less than 160 acres. The state will have 10 years in which to select and reclaim the lands department has notified Ministers Dun. The proceeds of the land when sold can desert lands. The state can only select irrigation without waste as much land struction of the necessary reservoirs and ditches, to be paid for out of the prolands with the perpetual right to the water necessary for their irrigation. I am not sure that the cost of selecting the taken from the moneys received for them; but if not, the law can undoubtedly be so amended as to permit this to be done "It the lands were sold in tracts of 160 acres a million acres would provide 6250 homes, and estimating five persons to the is the Japanese are now at the walls irrigated they should be sold in tracts o support of 125,000 people by agriculture. while as many more people would fine

> agricultural districts. "One sore of the irrigated land would Opposite Diamond Flouring Mills be worth for fruit raising, gardening and many other purposes, as much as several acres of land dependent upon the natural precipitation, even though ample. tion to secure the grant. Notwithstand ing the condition of the treasury and the prevailing business depression, I think the next legislature should not only accept the grant, but provide for an irriga tion engineer and the necessary corps of assistants to make the necessary examination to enable the state, through its board of land commissioners or some other authorized officials, to commence the selection of the lands.

cities which would spring up in the rich

the irrigation of the lands donated would depend largely upon the management of the enterprise. The irrigation engineer should be selected with great care, and should be a person, if possible, who is not only well qualified by study, who has had large experience in some of the states where irrigation has been carried on, like selecting lands and the construction of the work necessary for their reclamation J. N. Dolph.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Cruelly Beaten. PENDLETON, Nov. 22-An unknown man assaulted Postmaster S T Isaac at Helix tonight. He used a heavy club and best him nearly to death. His object was robbery, but no money was obtain d. Issacs was alone at the time. Sheriff Houser and posse have left to search for the robber, who is described as a heavyset man, of dark complexion, and fairly well dressed. Isaac's condition is reported serious. He was found covered with blood that flowed from wounds on his head. The victim is one of the olde est residents in the county.

Battle Between Warships. ron attacked and shelled the Japanes believe King Malietoa's government is troops who were marching upon Port Arthur. The troops had taken a road near the coast, The Japanere fleet came to the assistance of the troops, and a des perate fight took place between the warships, the result of which is not known. Our Xmas Offering

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