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OFFICERS' SALARIES.

From every nook and corner of the state comes a demand for a reduction of public expenses, state, county and municipal. The people are thoroughly aroused to the fact that they are unjustly burdened, and are receiving but slight compensation for the taxes they pay in. They are beginning to inquire where the money goes to, and to whom it is paid, and their inquiries have convinced them that no small portion of their taxes go to pay salararies of officials, most of whom are earning vastly more than are ninetenths of the taxpayers themselves, and more than the officers could possibly earn if employed as private individuals. They find by the estimates made by the state board of the expenses for the year that the governor is paid a salary of \$1,500 a year, and is allowed \$1,800 for a private secretary's salary, besides \$1,600 for additional clerical aid. The secretary of state gets \$1,500 a year, his chief clerk \$1,800, and \$6,780 are set aside for additional clerical aid in his office. The state treasurer gets only \$800 a year, but his clerk gets \$2,000, which evens up matters in that office. Besides these fixed salaries, \$4,000 are allowed the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer for "extraordinary labors in the supervision and control of public builddings, public works, etc." This little additional pay raises the salary of the governor and secretary of state to \$2,8331 a year and the state treasurer to \$2,1331, to say nething of the per quisites. These three state officials, with their clerks, cost the people of the state \$21,780 a year. Is it not too will be accomplished, and it now looks and trustworthy clerks all over the state are willing to work at salaries of from \$75 to \$100 a month, what justice

tionaries about the state house? But the state officials and their deputies, chief clerks, etc., are not the this currency. form, when compared with what priin endangering his life in arresting greenback. and keeping in custody desperate crimi nals, but nothing more. Let us conceiving, and see if the amounts are not clerk is allowed \$1,500 and \$900 for a denuty, and the recorder of conveyances \$1,000, making \$3,900 a year for the

is there in allowing more to the func-

Grant pays her clerk \$2,400 a year is made in the statute for deputy's denounced gold sharks. salary, however two are allowed by the

Baker, sheriff \$2,000: first deputy, \$1,-200; second deputy \$900. Grant, sheriff \$2,400; one deputy \$1,200. Harney, sheriff \$2,400, one deputy \$1,000. Malheur, sheriff \$2,000, one deputy \$1.000. Wasco, sheriff \$26,00, with the matter

thing like the amounts these officers to pay such salaries? Fossibly such countles as Wasco and Baker can, Take the latter county; it has a population of only 2,638, according to the census of this year, and its total taxable property amounts to only \$986,123. It pays its sheriff and clerk, together with their deputies \$5,700,or over \$2.30 a piece for every man, woman and child in the county, or \$6.00 a piece for each of the 950 voters with which the county is credited.

Such burdens as these are ontrageous. There is little wonder that the people who are paying for such luxuries as high-priced officials are beginning to complain of the load, and are demanding a reform. While they thus feel the burden, the time is ripe for starting a reform movement and making a demand upon the candidates who aspire to be members of the next legislature that they pledge themselves to make a reduction in the salaries of officers.

It is conceeded by all that there are are many who are beginning to realand a delusion. Some of the benefits

lesson. The Wilson bill made a heavy and steel. These are the principal when it said: "Of course, there will raw materials of tin manufacture. Al- be no extra session. The governor though that bill reduced the tax upon and secretary of state are unwilling to manufactured tin about 50 per cent, part with any portion of their large tunes cheapening it to the consumer, unconstitutional emoluments. Being made by the Republicans the senate amendments to house bill throughout the state that that party No. 382. This was the general appromaterial stimulated and increased the election, the legislature would be un- will exert every effort to gain control manufacture of tin in the United States, and made probable the fact that with wholly free raw material our manufacturers of tin can compete with functional dogs from the variety effort to gain control of such the legislature. Should this bunglesome transactions as this, some the variety effort to gain control of the next legislature. Should this bunglesome transactions as this, some the variety of the next legislature. Should this bunglesome transactions as this, some the variety of the next legislature. Should this bunglesome transactions as this, some the variety of the next legislature. Should this bunglesome transactions as this, some the carriers in cases of discrimination.

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the world. You will remember that a few months since, when a combination of steel and iron manufacturers carried their productions to greatly increased rates, our producers of tin declared they were crowded to the wall by the rise in iron and steel, and expressed fear of being thus compelled to close their works. They were saved by the

operation of the Wilson bill. That had reduced the tax on steel, iron and coal, and when the greed of the manufacturer had carried prices of these above the limit that bill intended to fix, they found foreign manufacturers underselling them in our markets rate that enabled the makers of tin to is founded the principles of a governcontinue their business. If the tax ment by the people. On the subject was wholly taken off of coal, iron and of popular education Dr. Chapin pubthat they could be produced in the ber of the North American Review, in United States with sufficient profit and that other industries of which they furnish raw material, including shipbuilding, would flourish as never before, and

the great army of consumers profit from the reduction in prices that would "Hides furnish another object lesson. When they were taken from the taxed and placed upon the free list, tanneries sprung up as if by magic, all over the country, and the manufacture of leather and leather goods increased enormously, and the price of them decreased. Speedily the production doubled, trebled, and quadrupled, and for years no man dared to raise his voice for a restoration of hides to the taxed list, until the birth of the Mc-Kinley bill, in which the Armours and Swifts had ingrafted a tax upon hides. Upon its introduction, Mr. Blaine denounced it in the severest terms, and it was stricken out with scarcely a nay. If the reader will consider and compare the prices of general articles of consumption, of living, during the high taxation of the McKinley bill with the present prices of like articles he will have before him an object lesson not difficult to understand."

INCAPABLE OF LEGISLATING

When the fifty-fourth congress was convened it was expected that something would be done to improve the present financial system and put it on a more business like basis, but from what has been accomplished so far it as though the government would be still forced to continue in the banking business which has proven so hazardous in past years, that too with something like \$800,000,000 of credit currency afloat, and with a reserve that fluctuates at the will of the holders of

only officers that are overpaid. Take | President Cleveland very succinctly the county clerks and sheriffs all over | showed in his message to congress the Oregon, they are receiving salaries defects in our financial system and out of proportion to the labor they per- pointed out the remedy. He asked place within the reach of every child vate individuals are making, either in retirement of the greenbacks that the of the common school branches, but business for themselves or in the em- national treasury may no longer be when it has done this it has performed ploy of others. These officers of course the prey of gold gamblers. But this its office. When, however, it undervices they perform and a reasonable congressmen know that this favorite and just compensation for the responsi | money of Wall street is still regarded bility they assume as custodonians of by many deluded people as the "pcorpublic funds, and the sheriff an man's money" and they fear that it equitable amount for the risk he takes | will not be good politics to abolish the

By a law passed in 1878, when the greenback craze was at its height, the sider the salaries fixed by the session amount of greenbacks in circulation laws of 1895, which some of the clerks shall never be less than \$346,500,000 and sheriffs of Eastern Oregon are re- and it is provided that when presented for redemption in gold these greenunreasonable. In Baker county the backs shall be immediately reissued. The gold speculators of Wall street

have reaped millions of profit out of the operation of this law, enacted oswork ordinarily preferred in the clerk's | tensibly in the interest of the plain, common people. There was great exultation among the friends of the and allows \$1,200 for a deputy. Har- greenback when this law was passed. ney, clerk \$2,400; deputy \$1,000. Mai- They little dreamed that in the passheur, clerk \$1,800; deputy \$900. Wasco, age of this much lauded act they were clerk \$2,000. No specified allowance playing into the hands of the much

Still, in the face of these facts, congress refuses to act. The senators, or The salaries of sheriffs fixed by the at least a large number of them, prosame statute in these counties are pose the free coinage of silver as a order to recover even a foothold on remedy, while in the house the collect the Island she must make a complete duties, is suggested as the country's down her home reserve beyond a point only salvation.

of deputy left at the option of the political party, are widely divided on tent of her discouragement was shown Is is reasonable to suppose that the than recede from its idea, would let actual work in these offices cannot be the money sharks continue drawing Cuba autonomy under the Spanish flag. performed for less money? And is its gold out of the treasury, and forcing If the Cubans now have completely fact that any of the taxpayers in any the government to issue bonds without of these counties, off of their indi- limit. And surely this will continue vidual labor, exclusive of any capital until some of the leaders in both invested in business, are making any- houses lose some of their pig-headedness, and consent to some rational are receiving? Can the people afford provision for retiring the credit currancy when it is redeemed. This, we fear, the present congress is incapable though they should not, but the people of doing: in fact it seems to be like the of Grant, Harney and Malheur cannot. last Oregon legislature, incapable of legislating at all except on appropria- off her yoke, every free country in the

LOVE OR FEAR, WHICH?

The London Globe publishes a severe article on the invitation of the United States Venezuela commission to the governments of Great Britain and Venezuela to submit to the commission all evidence in their possession which is likely to further the work of the investigation, and inviting the two governments to be represented before it by attorneys without prejudice to either claims, and then says: "Great Britain will not allow this

monstrous claim to determine the BENEFITS OF A LOW TARIF his passports and mobilize the fleet" jured by the reduction of tariff duties, the ties of friendship so strong that Either in a fit of anger, or for the purbut there are many others that have this is the only government on pose of robbery, he slew his father and why does England so persistently insist been correspondingly benefited, and sarth from which it would telerate mother and McKercher, who unfortu- on having them? Is the British govthe consumer generally has had the such impudence? Or do the haughty nately was visiting at the Montgomery benefit of reduced prices of nearly Britishers remember the events of home. He exhibited no sympathy for every article he consumes, hence, there 1776 and 1812, and fear that the events his victims. He forfeited all rights to pond? ize that high protection was a snare American ambassador were given his would be sufficient punishment for his of low tariffs are very plainly shown | ing to note that England does not care | mental women he is a hero-s martyr

means. reduction in the tax upon coal, iron | The Oregonian spoke advisedly EDUCATE THE MASSES.

The stability of any republic rests n the intelligence of its citizens, their ability to intelligently interpret its laws and understand the rights and privileges of citizenship. A classical education, a knowledge of all the sciences and arts, is not necessary to this, but the ability to read and write the predominant language is absolutely necessary. In short, the first requirement of a capable citizen is that he should have a common school educacation. Popular education, the education of the masses in the rudimentary branches, is the safeguard upon which lished an able article in a recent numwhich he said:

"The underlying principle of state education is state preservation. The moment we leave the principle of necessity, we are on uncertain and debatable ground. It does not require much discussion to determine the simple and fundamental branches of education that the state should teach in order to protect itself against gross ignorance and efficiency. Reading, writing, figuring and a knowledge of the country's history should be most thoroughly taught. To this could be combined an education of the hand as well as of the head, the first rudiments of training have been started in the kindergarten. All appliances for teaching these fundamentals of education should be most modern and complete, and carried on under the best hygienic surroundings. The absence of any attempt to cope with the higher and more ornamental branches would leave sufficient time and money to lay a proper groundwork in every child's case, even the most backward and unpromising one. The importance of primary education is now universally recognized, as it is directly or indirectly, made compulsory in all civilized countries. When, however, the state attempts to carry education along higher lines, the temptation to neglect the humble primary branches in the interest of the upper and more showy grades becomes apparently impossible

The temptation to neglect the primary, in the interest of the more showy is safe to predict that little, if anything grades is, as Doctor Chapin says, impossible to resist, especially when institutions in which the higher and unnecessary branches are taught are maintained at public expense as they are in this state. In Oregon we support a state university at an expense to the state of \$30,000 a year, besides a number of so-called normal schools and a state agricultural college, in all costing over \$50,000 annually; and this at the expense of our public schools. It is to the interest of every state to congress to provide for the permanent an opportunity to obtain a knowledge versities at public expense it exceedes its duty, and also works an injustice upon those from whom it obtains the money with which to support such in-

CUBAN INDEPENDENCE. All reports from the war in Cuba indicate that success must crown the efforts of the insurgents who are so have driven General Campos from one point to another over the island, and finally forced him into his stronghold in Havana, have cut him off from coindecisive battle at a disadvantage or extra session.

ultimately surrender. No one who has observed the trend of affairs in this conflict between oppressive despotism and freedom can doubt that to Spain the latest results in the war are a crushing blow. In tion of more taxes through increased fresh equipment of forces, cutting compatible with safety and scraping The truth is, the two houses of con- the last corners of her depleted tressgress, though under the control of one ury for the necessary funds. The exthe financial question, and each, rather soms weeks ago when Spanish ministers made a tentative offer to grant mastered the situation Spain may well consider the effort to retain Cuba as a

hopeless task. With Havana at their mercy, also, the Cuban insurgents will be in position to establish a provincial government and demand recognition from the other powers. If at the end of years of oppression, enormous taxes, misrule and insult Cubs has skaken world should be quick to recognize her claims and give her the hand of welcome. And no people will be more glad to do so than those of the United States. Already congress is consider ing ways and means of giving this sentiment expression, and while the question should not be made the subject of hasty legislation, no time should be lost in making a full investigation with a view to recognizing the Cubans

national law will permit.

WASTED SENTIMENT. Governor Lord is being deluged with territory of a British colony within its letters from overly sympathetic women, jurisdiction. No power would admit both in this state and California, begit except at the close of a long and dis- ging him to interfere and save the life astrous war. Were such a demand to of Lloyd Montgomery, under sentence | would be the most wanton and disasbe made by any other power, our only of death for killing both his parents trous war of the century over a few has such great affection for the United it is disgusting. He committed one of those few miles of territory, which States that it is so considerate? Are the most unnatural crimes on record. of those times may be re-enacted if the life and liberty. No penalty but death pasport? Whichever it is, it is pleas- crime. But in the eyes of some sentiby a correspondent in the Oregonian to resort to any overt acts that would —and they would cheat the gallows by man whose life they seek to save, and

ridicule. SHOULD ORGANIZE.

nate over all legislation, and the inter ests of the people will be a secondary

consideration. Through the organization of clubs it is expected to harmonize the different factions of the party before the election is held, but this re sult will not be accomplished. Should there be a Republican majority in the next legislature, there will be Dolph men and Mitchell men. This will mean a bitter senatorial fight that will ast through the session, needed legislation for the relief of the taxpayers will be neglected, and the session of 1897 will simply be a repetition of that get the manufacturers of the country

Hence it is that Democratic clubs state. The party should be brought together on the lines of retrenchment, with an unmistakable demand for the utting down of public expenses, and an assurance that this will rollow in case of Democratic supremacy in the legislature. Let the Democrats organize clubs throughout the state, and thereby consolidate the party of the people, the party that will relieve the taxpayers of their present burdens.

A SIXTEEN-TO-ONE SENATOR.

Arthur Brown, one of the newly the senate will be to hoist the cause of silver at the needed ratio of sixteen-toone. The sixteen-to-one idea has not ground that the Nicaragua canal grains of silver it is all the same to construction could have been secured the votes in the house of representapears to be an all-round "sixteen" the senate to keep an eye on Brown.

in retiring Calvin S. Brice from the is feasible." senate and seating Joseph B. Foraker? The former is an unscrupulous political trixter, who bought his way into the senate, but what claim to decency and honesty has the latter? The stigma of the ballot-box forgery of 1889 is still on Wednesday will move that whereupon him. Brice is a rascal and a as the United States government offers

EDITORIAL NOTES.

east it is one that governs his actions. in the interest of both the Canadian Two of his nephews. Messrs. Lockwood agriculturalist and Canadian manufacand Martin, feed at the public crib in turers that Canada should accept that the secretary's office at salaries of \$125 a month each, and it is stated that equally competent assistants could be secured at \$50 per month; but these young taxeaters are in the family.

The mileage allowed to the members of the last legislature was \$5,924.40 gallantly battling for freedom. They This of course included the junkating trips of various committees. It is doubtful if an extra session would of prominent silver men from all parts effect a saving of this amount to the of the country will be held here beginning tomorrow. A preliminary conning tomorrow. munication with the interior, and his the senators and representatives can, ference of the members of the execuonly means of obtaining supplies is at four cents a mile, be conveyed to by water. With the Spanish army the capital, which would cost only tallic league was held today at the thus penned up, it seems that the S1,579.84. But it is not safe to figure White House. Steps were taken looking to a consolidation of silver organi-

Senator Sherman says that the present financial depression is due to the repeal of the McKinley tariff, and that what the treasury needs is more revthe Wilson bill is producing more rev-

paper and silver. The Democratic national convention selected that time and place. This dates pledged to the silver cause. will give us a campaign of only four months, though that is longer than necessary. The business of the country is always more or less disturbed uring a national campaign. It would

popularity of wheeling, it may be their lands. stated that one well known firm during 1895 used 280 miles of tubing, or nough to reach from New York to

York to Cleveland. The Australian prime minister said "I fear there are thousands of Americans who are willing to plunge the whole Anglo-Saxon race into what of the Spanish authorities." cover an area nearly as great as the state of Montans, are so undesirable. ernment really so greedy that it would

squabble over the possession of a frog The house journal of the last legislative assembly, on which a committee to insure accuracy, is now out. It conthe aye and no side of the same quesat the same time subject themselves to tion. It records members as absent and voting at the same time. One thing it does not show, which, to say the least, is a dangerous omission;

TELEGRAPHIC.

MANUFACTURERS' MEETING of the Objects it Will Work For

at its Meeting. CHICAGO, Jan. 21.-Ex-United States Senator Warner Miller arrived in this city last night to attend the meeting of the National Association of Manufacturers of the United States, of an interview, he said:

"The object of the association is to in touch with each other and the in-Such a calamity can be averted only dustrial life of the nation, and to create by wresting the control of the legis- a public sentiment to induce congress ature from the hands of that party. to establish the policy of recipro-ity But with the Democratic party dis- and to foster fast mail and communiorganized, this cannot be expected. cation with the South American points whose trade ought to be ours. We should be organized throughout the must have mail and rapid communication with these countries or we can never have their business.

"The Manufacturers' Association also interested in great international waterways and communications, and in the building of the Nicaragua canal, which is a necessity for modern commercial intercourse between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, a well as between China, Japan, South America and the Sandwich Islands. It is also a necessity for our national defense. When the canal is built it will practically obviate the necessity for a double navy to guard our Atlantic and Pacific elected senators from the new state of coasts, for it will not only connect Utah, says one of his greatest aims in both, but decrease the space between them 10,000 miles.

"The association will take the been confined to silver alone by a ma- should be owned and operated by the ber of years. A good many of the male of that enterprise there can be no kee's heirs. population of that blooming com- doubt. I know that the canal will be monwealth have clamored for years built, and if the United States does for the privilege of one man having not build it, Europe will, and sixteen wives, or more if he could get there will be another prominent them, and this idea seems still to linger cause of war when national troubles in Mr. Brown's mind so distinctly that and jealousies arise. The present he wants to apply it to all questions. Venezuela trouble emphasized the ne-Whether it is sixteen wives or sixteen | cessity for this canal. Money for its Brown. He received all but sixteen of long ago from Europe if our national legislature had not been talking and tives, possibly may have had sixteen passing resolutions about its ownerwives in the days of Mormon suprem- ship. If congress does not do anymacy, and now wants free coinage at thing this session we will feel perthe ratio of sixteen-to-one. He ap- fectly free to look elsewhere for the means to complete the link between senator. It will be well for the rest of the oceans. If the report of the commission sent to examine it is such as has been given out in the papers, we are prepared to prove its falsity. We can prove by the best engineers in What have the people of Ohio gained | this country and abroad that our work

WILLING TO GO HALF WAY.

The Motion to Be Made in the Canadian OTTAWA, Jan. 21 .- Mr. McMillat they are relatives) belong the spoils,"
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Which Turkey agreed in the event of Russia sgoing to war, to close the offer by admitting those articles into Canada free of duty, and at the same time so relieving the Canadian manufacturers of the taxation on the raw material as to enable them to take ad-

> Silver Men in Conference WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 .- A meeting zation into one body, with headquar-

ters at Washington, Chicago, San Francisco and some point South. One purpose of tomorrow's meeting will be to fix upon the time and place enue. This position is untenable in of holding a national silver conference, view of the fact that the government when the national silver ticket will be has a large cash balance on hand and nominated. This action, however, depends upon the failure of both old parenue than the McKinley bill. All the ties to recognize silver by nominating tariffs that could be made would not candidates unequivocally pledged to add one cent to the gold reserve as its rehabilitation on a basis of sixteen long as duties were paid as now in to one. It is not necessary that adherents of the proposed new party should already have severed all connections will be held in Chicago on July 7th, with the old parties, but it is essential the national committee, at a meeting that they be willing to do so should held in Washington Thursday, having the old parties fall to nominate candi-

Opposed by Secretary Smith.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 .- The house committee on public lands has received from Secretary Smith a strong adverse be better for all concerned if neither report against the free homestead bill. of the national conventions were held The bill absolves all persons completing a five years' residence on lands, The Chicago Times-Herald states taken and occupied under the homethere were on exhibition at the cycle stead laws, from making furthur payshow in Chicago 1060 wheels, repre- ment to secure their titles other than senting 400 different firms. It is es-timated that the display brought to proof. The measure is a sweeping one these manufacturers an amount of and land officials estimate that the business equal to \$15,000,000 in retail passage would involve at least \$30,000- aine, scheduled to sail from New York, value. As an instance of the wonder- | 000 costs to the government and \$18.000ful consumption of steel products 000 to Oklahoma alone, this being the the trip was off: caused by the sudden and growing amount paid for the relingishment of

Three American Citizens Arrested WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 .- Senator Washington, and 625 miles of wire for | Call in the senate today read the folspokes, enough to reach from New lowing telegram from Key West: "Marquis Roderidguez was taken from the steamer Olivette last Wednesday. at a banquet speech a few days ago: Louis Samallien and his son were also taken at Havana. All are American citizens. Get them out of the grasp

Call offered a resolution reciting the arrests and directing the executive reply would be to hand its ambassador and a neighbor. Such sentiment is miles of fever-breeding jungle, where authorities to ascertain if any just not only wasted, but when elicited in not one same citizen of the United cause for the arrests existed, and if not It is that the British government behalf of such a brute as Montgomery States would send a dog." If indeed to demand immediate release of the Some Armenians have taken to eating evitable.

> The Free Homestead Bill. WASHINGTON, Jan. 21 .- The house committee on public lands has decided to favorably report to free homestead

bill proposed by Congressman Lacey, have been spared, but they are which is practically a revival of the great want and some are starying. old homestead laws. Under this law all settlers on Indian lands that are of five labored assiduously for weeks opened to settlers may acquire title to after the adjournment of the session the land without paying for it by a Edward Farnsworth and "Babe" Marresidence of five years. If they desire terminate in en open rupture between their interventions if possible. They tains 1061 pages, besides a 17-page ad-"I agree with the Oregonian that inplate furnishes an instructive object the differences be settled by peaceable in upon one so depraved as is the young list toops from Cuba it would do a reduction of five years they will be able to dendum. The journal abounds in continuous the differences be settled by peaceable it upon one so depraved as is the young list toops from Cuba it would do a reduction of five years they will be able to dendum. The journal abounds in continuous depraved as is the young list in the treatment when bestowing it upon one so depraved as is the young list in the treatment when bestowing it upon one so depraved as is the young list troops from Cuba it would do a reduction of five years they will be able to do so by paying the rates fixed by the differences be settled by peaceable in the treatment when bestowing it upon one so depraved as is the young list troops from Cuba it would do a reduction of five years they will be able to do so by paying the rates fixed by the differences be settled by peaceable in the first reduction of the contract of the cube in the first reduction of the peaceable in the peaceable in the first reduc To Trail Criminals. CHICAGO, Jan. 21.—Advices from

> nals hiding in the Kankakee swamps. Sheriff Hayes, of Lake county, has pristion bill. And inthe face of such purchased two full-blood dogs from

the summer and make nightly visits to hen roosts and awellings. When pursued they retreat to the Kankakee swamps.

Held as Hostages. LONDON, Jan. 21 .- A dispatch from Coomassie, says King Prempeh of Ashantee, the queen mother, the two envoys recently in England, and several chiefs, have started under escort

for Cape Coast Castle, where they will which organization he is president. In be held prisoners pending the settlement of the indemnity to be paid Great Britain by Ashantee.

A LARGE CLAIM. overnment Will be Asked to Pay \$200.

000,000 to Durkee's Heirs. CHICAGO, Jan. 22 .- A special from Champaign, Ill., says: A conference was held here between L. C. Blaisdell and twenty other citi-

zens of Champaign, on the one side and A. J. Kuykendall, of Springfield Captain J. I. Abel, and John T. Ferguson, of Decatur, on the other, on measures for pressing a huge claim against the government. The gentlemen named, after conferring with citizens of Indianapolis, will proceed to Washington. The claim referred to is based on the alleged assignment, thirty years or more ago, to Charles Durkee, then governor of Utah, of over \$60,000,000 worth of Union Pacific bonds. L. C. Blaisdell is the trustee of the heirs of Durkes and has spent much time and money in the investigation of their claims. He says the late Secretary Folger, admitted the existence of the assignment upon these bonds and Blaisdell says he has the best of legal advices that the principal and interest now amounting to nearly \$200,000,000 jority of the citizens of Utah for a num- United States. As to the completion is recoverable for the benefit of Dur-

> MAY AND DECEMBER. Schoolgirl of 15 Marries a Man

Years Old. CHICAGO, Jan. 22 .- A dispatch from Pomona, Cal., says: The children and abandon the proposed trip. grandchildren of James Rogers have been amazed by the information that he married, on Sunday last, Miss Ida

Nelson, at the home of the bride's parents, near Prescott, Arizona. The groom is 77 years old, and the bride will be 15 next May. Mr. Rogers has been twice married his second wife dying three years ago. He has six children, many grandchil dren, and several great grandchildren He is well preserved, genial and levelheaded, and has a fortune of \$100,000 invested in farm lands and bank stocks in Iowa, and about \$100,000 in property in Los Angeles. He has been

ber of the Iowa legislature for several years He came to visit his children n Los Angeles last summer. The first sign that the marriage wa soom to take place was last week when all of Rogers' Los Angles protraitor, but Foraker is a greater one. to admit free of duty plows, harrows perty was transferred to Ida Nelson. Mrs Rogers left school only a few

an active business man and was a mem

Overtaken and Hanged After Committing pondent says this treaty was soon OKLAHOMA CITY, O. T., Jan. 22 .-Near Jacques' store, south of Fort He'- the French ambassador, M. Cambou, mes, fifty miles southeast of this ci ; conferred with the sultan yesterday, a vigilance committee composed of and it is probable that France will be farmers and ranchmen captured and included in the new alliance. vantage of the markets of the United hanged three desperadoes—Thomas Commenting on the dispatch from Foley, a man known as Wild Horse, Constantinople announcing the signand a half-breed Choctaw named Mar- ing of the treaty between Russia and ina. The night before a gang of six Turkey for offensive and defensive men, of which these three were mem- purposes, the Pall Mall Gazette says: bers, robbed Jacques' store, assaulted his wife and stole four horses. The the result of the treaty is the Dardaalarm was given and a posse of farmers | nelles is the southern outpost of Rusfollowed the gang all night, coming sia, and Turkey is Russia's vassal. upon them at Crisy Crossing, and in We presume the British government the fight Foley was wounded and one will protest against the treaty for all of the pursuing party killed. Three it is worth. of the gang made their escape, but Foley and his two companions took refuge in a deserted hut, where they were dislodged with dynamite and hanged without judge or jury. Before dying the confirmation we received this Foley stated that two of the men who escaped were Bob and Bill Christian.

suit of the others.

The vigilance committee is still in pur-

Will Exhume the Bodies. Union, Or., Jan. 22.-Coroner Lang deputy district attorney, a deputy sheriff and a number of other persons left Union for Pine Valley this afternoon for the purpose of exhuming the bodies of the three Maches who were killed by Kelsay Porter on New Year's day. Porter is the only witness to the shooting. The bodies, except the woman's, were buried without being dressed, and there was no coroner's inquest held. The object of the examination is to enable the state to better prosecute the case. It is expected that the examination will show the Oregon, and held several public offices. direction and distance from which the | He was appointed second comptroller shots were fired, and other material of the treasury in 1887 and had lived

tan's dominions."

and Mormons.

Death of Judge Upton.

here ever since that time. He was a

Scottish Rite Mason. He leaves a

widow and five sons, three of whom

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Utah will be represented for the first

time in the United States senate by

No wonder Spain wants to sell Cuba.

She cannot subdue the patriotic Cu-

The war cloud has not entirely

blewn over. The dispatches announce

that England is bartering with Spain

for the purchase of Cuba, in which

event war between the United States

and Great Britain is almost in-

Possibly the wool growers and some

through the workings of the present

tariff, but 70,000,000 of American citi-

The dispatches announce that Gen-

eral Ardereus are to be relieved from

the command of the Spanish armies in

Cuba. If, with these generals, the Span-

ish government would also recall all

its troops from Cuba it would do a vra-

Judge Grossoup, of the United States

not be held for violation of the inter-

is the first interpretation by a court of

the clause in the interstase commerce

law making shippers equally liable

with carriers in cases of discrimina-

per cent from former prices.

are prominent in Oregon politics.

Two Hundred Tourists Disappointed. NEW YORK, Jan. 22 .- Two hundred tourists, who had booked to visit Turkey and the east on a special excursion aboard the French liner La Tour-February 4, were notified today that

Frank J. Cannon and Arthur Brown. The acute condition of affairs in Both are Republicans, free silver men Turkey and the uncertainty of affording adequate protection to travelers in the domain of the sultan, caused the abandonment of the tour. The pleasbans, hence the easiest way is to reure trip of the steamship Friesland, which was scheduled to sail for the lieve herself of the burden is to sell same territory on January 29, was the island to England. But the title she will deliver will be extremely given up for the same reasons.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Jan. 22 .- B. Argos, an Armenian resident of this city, is in receipt of a letter from a friend in Armenia, which states that upwards of 100,000 Armenians are starying. The snow is several feet deep. grain. Of 300 villages, 54 have been sacked and burned by the Turks and of the woolen manufacturers have lost Kurds. The remaining are occupied by butchering soldiers. Twelve American missions in the district have been | zens have been enabled to buy their burned The lives of the Americans | woolen clothing at a reduction of 50 have been spared, but they are in

Youthful Footpads.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22 .- Two boys, tin, neither of whom is 15 years old, district, but today young Ernest Garriock swore out a warrant charging them with holding him up a few evenings ago. The youthful footpads held Crown Point, Ind., state that blood- Garriock up with a revolver, went hounds are to be used to trail crimi- through his pockets and took a silver state law by accepting a rebate. This watch and some silver.

Excursion Declared off,

than two-thirds as much Cotto-iene as you would of lard. When frying with Cottolone slways put

it in a cold pan, heating it with the pan. Cottolene produces the best results when very hot, but as it reaches the cooking point much

taken not to let it burn—when hot enough, it will delicately brown a bit of bread in half a minute.

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the president of the company at Paris instructing him to cancel all engagements for the Mediterranean trip for the steamer La Touraine leaving New York, February 4. The liability of the excursionists to insult or attack by the Turks determined the company to

Wheat Going up.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 22 .- The price of No. 1 club wheat jumped from 56c to 58tc today. It was 52c a few days ago. Flour advanced 25c per barrel, and bran, shorts, oats and barley show \$1.00 a ton increase. The demand for wheat for export is stronger. RUSSIA AND TURKEY.

An Alliance Offensive and Defensive Con-

LONDON, Jan. 23 .- A dispatch to the

Pall Mail Gazette from Constantinostill in force.-East Oregonian. ple, dated yesterday, says an offensive and defensive alliance had been concluded between Russia and Turkey. LHE The dispatch adds the treaty was signed at Constantinople and ratifica-The first of American Newspapers. tions were exchanged at St. Petersburg between Aarej Pasha and the czar. The basis of the treaty is de-CHARLES A. DANA, EDITOR. clared to be on the lines of the Un-The American Constitution, The American Idea,

The American Spirit. tions. The Pall Mall Gazette corres-These first, last, and all the time, abandoned owing to the refusal of the powers to recognize it. He also says

The Sunday Sun Is the greatest Sunday Newspaper By mail, \$2 a year. 5c a copy. "We regard the news as true, and Address THE SUN. New York.

W. VAUSE "The information is plainly of the very gravest importance. The first dan Paper, intimation reached us four days ago, but we withheld it until the arrival of morning. This brings Russia into the Paints, Mediterranean with a vengeance, and may necessitate strengthening our fleet in those waters. The political effect will be far greater. The treaty Dils and means that Turkey has realized her own impotence against disorders both from within and without, and has de-Glass -cided to throw herself for safety into the arms of Russia. She is now Russia's vassal, and Russia is entitled to

Artists' Material and Painters' Supdispatch troops to any part of the sulplies. Agent for MASURY'S LIQUID PAINT. All orders for painting, pap-WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 .- William W. ering and kalsomining promptly at-Upton, appointed justice of the supreme court of Oregon in 1867 and subsequently chief justice, died today, aged 79. In 1865 he moved to Portland,

W ANTED: Several trustworthy gentlement or ladies to travel in Oregon for established, reliable house. Salary \$780 and expenses. Steady position. Enclose reference and set addressed stamped envelope. The Domin fon Company, Third Floor, Omaha Building, Oh.cago, Ill.

KRUGER'S REPLY R. E. Saltmarshe He Says Americans Are in no Danger i the Transvaul.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 23.—The Exam

Americans are in no danger whatever.

They enjoy the full protection of the

law like any other foreigners; therefore

there is no need of protection from the

outside against any illegal or revolu-

tionary movements. Even if such pro-

tection against revolutionists were

necessary, which is not so, the Ameri-

cans are capable of taking care of

themselves. The government regrets

deeply that, while almost all of the

Americans took the side of law and

order, a few of them have joined the

revolutionary, so-called reform com-

mittee. These together with a major

ity, mostly British, will be tried ac

cording to law, and justice will be done

Cleveland to Crespo.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23 .- A Washington

tary Olney to Venezuela's minister

here, Senor Andrade, and by him

communicated to his government by

cable. There is a strong belief that

diplomatic relations between Great

Britain and Venezuela will be re-estab-

lished, and the exchange of ministers

will be agreed to upon a basis which

includes also an agreement to submit

the boundary question to arbitration.

The first intimation that such a

course would be satisfactory to the

British government was given by Sir

Julian Pauncefote, of the British em-

bassy, to Secretary Olney, who con-

sulted with the president, who prompt-

ly acted upon it. Diplomatic relations

between Great Britain and Venezuela

In spite of a Democratic administra-

tion wheat is fifty cents a bushel once

again. It does not look possible that

this could occur with the Wilson bill

have been suspended since 1887.

nationality."

pecial says:

sideration.

ing of the Uitlanders:

End STOCK YARDS, ner has received the following telegram from President Kruger in reply to a message requesting information as to the status of the American min-HighestCash Price for ing men now imprisoned at Pretoria for alleged participation in the upris-Hay and Grain. "Everything is quiet at present, the

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