OUR NORTHWEST POSSESSIONS.

Canadian parliament regarding the with that of his predecessor, and boundary line between British there does not seem to be any extra-America and Alaska. It is thought o dinary discoveries so far. That in well informed quarters that there awful "\$400,000,000 of the people's may be some unpleasant discussion money" is still there to the same exbetween the United States and En- test that it was before the election, gland regarding the definition of na- but Mr. Manning's figures show what tional boundaries.

and indefinite. The fact that Alaska used, being held for a specific purhas until quite recently been a sort of ultima thule has prevented any shows in his elaborate report that discussion, but now that our north- there is exactly \$22,259,025 cash on west possessions begin to assume hand available to be used in paying some prominence, the question of the running expenses of the governlimits promises to be an interesting ment. Republican newspapers last

Alaska from the Russians in 1867, the document of sale contained the following regarding boundary lines:

The eastern limit is the line of demarkation between the Russian and line small ascend to the north along sity for it. the channel called Portland channel of north latitude; from this last mentains situated parallel to the coast as dian), the meridian line of the one hundred and forty first degree, in its

demarkation said down in the preceding article it is understood: First—That the island called Prince of Wales island shall belong wholly

the United States). Second-That whenever the summit of the mountains which extend in west longitude shall prove to be at the distance of more than ten leagues from the ocean, the limit of the Boxs. from the ocean, the limit of the Brit ish possessions and the line of coast which is to belong to Russia, as above mentioned (that is to say the limit to the posessions ceded by this convention), shall be formed by a line parallel to the winding of the coast and which shall never exceed the distance of ten marine leagues therefrom.

ab we is its chief characteristic. Already disputes have arisen. The English claim that the "Portland channel" mentioned above does not mean the Portland channel of the old charts, but a smaller ch nnel farther north That interpretation would throw this country out of a large area of valuable fisheries and timber land. Again it is observable that the line is to fellow the summit of the coast range, when such summit shall be at a greater distance than ten marine leagues. But the mountains are not uniform in their trend with the shore, so that when they stretch too far inland it is all right for England, but when they come within four or five miles of the sea it is all wrong for the United States.

The fact that the territory in question is the finest part of Alaska adds to the interest with which the matter is invested and the probability that there will be some move whethor peaceable or otherwise toward more accurate definition of boundary lines in the near future.

THE word "Folger" is likely to get a place in the dictionery of American politics similar to that given to the word "Boycott" in England and Ireland. The genesis of each word is nearly the same and the meaning is not widely different. The Blaine men, or h df-breeds of New York, led by their organ, the Tribune, defeated M . Folger for governor in 1882 by withho d ng the votes of his own party from him. An Ohio man now says that one wing of the Democrats of that state will "Folger" the other wing next October-meaning that they will refuse to vote for their candidates. Hence Mr. Arthur's secretary of the treasury is likely to go into history in a way different from that which he expected, To "Folger" is in reality to "Boycott" at the polls.

THE Pacific Medical Journal referring to a recent writer who asserts that lumbermen are free from dyspepsia because they are in the habit of chewing gum, says that "if he would add to his suggestion of chewing gum that of becoming a lumberman the remedy would be very effect-

"WE want a look at the books," was a familiar campaign cry last November. Well, our Democratic friends _Al'ElL 18, 1885 have had a look at the books, and Secretary Manning has made his first announcement regarding the public debt, the amount of money on hand, TREELE is present inquiry in the etc. His statement tallies exactly everybody with three grains of sense This boundary seems to be vague knew all the time, that it cannot be pose. The Democratic secretary October figured that on the 4th of When Secretary Seward bought March there would be \$21,500,000; it seems there is a little over.

The figures Mr. Manning gives are interesting and instructive. The total markation between the Russian and British possessions in North America, as established by the convention between Bussia and Great Britain of February 16-28, 1825, and described in articles III and IV of said convention in the following terms: Commencing from the southermost point of the island called Prince of Wales island, which point lies in the parallel of 54 deg. 49 min. north latitude and between the one hundred and thirty-first and one one hundred and thirty-third degree of west longitude. net debt of the United States at this thirty-third degree of west longitude (meridian of Greenwich); the said sity for it

Gov. SQUIRES, of Washington Teras far as the point of the continent where it strikes the fifty sixth degree ritory, seems to be somewhat promiscuous in his introductions. The tioned point the line of demarkation San Francisco papers give long accounts of two beats, confidence men far as the point of intersection of the one hundred and forty-first degree of the strength of letters of recomwest longitude (of the same meri-mendation "from Gov. Squires, of Merchant Tailor and Clothier. Washington Territory." The 'name prolongation as far as the frozen of one was Cecil Northbrooke, of the other Fred'k Van Norman. Clarence IV. With reference to the line of Fitz Percy will probably show up in

THE population of Russia, accordto Russia (now, by this concession to | ing to the census of 1882, is given at 77,879,521 in European Russia, of whom 38,651,977 were males and 39,a direction parallel to the coast from 227,544 females. The total population the fifty-sixth degree of north latitude of the entire empire, including Finto the point of intersection of the land, was a little over 102,000,000, or one hundred and forty-first degree of about one twelfth of the population

> Ir was Talleyrand who said "Language is given us to conceal our thoughts." In his messages to England the Russian czar seems to be a

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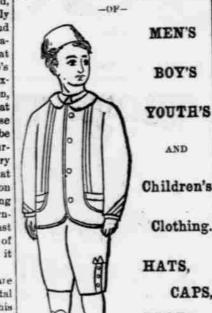
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Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon, March 28,

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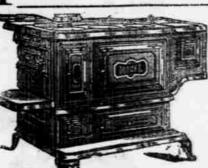
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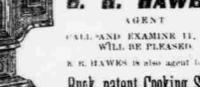
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