

WATER 2,000 ACRES IN CROOK

to Reclaim Valley Land.

Bend-L. D. Wiest has secured a

The land to be irrigated is located

level, and having a gentle slope to-

The cultivation and irrigation of the

A remarkable feature of this project

A company be to

RAILS TO CENTRAL OREGON

Preparations Go Forward for Con- Homesteaders Near Bend Cooperate struction of Huge Bridges.

Madras - Preliminary preparations are going ahead for the immense steel water right from Fall river 25 miles bridge which is to span Willow creek south of Bend, and will irrigate 2,000 at Madras. This bridge is on the Des- acres next year. chutes Railway company's line and will known as the Fall River Irrigation be the highest as well as the longest company will be organized in the near bridge projected for Central Oregon. future, Another immense steel structure will be the Oregon Trunk bridge across the between the mouth of Fall river Columbia at Celilo. This will be the on the South and Spring river on the second bridge the Hill people have North, on the west side of the Debuilt across the Columbia within 100 schutes, the surface being almost miles of Portland.

A large number of new men were wards the north and east. added to the construction crews on both roads during the past week. Car- same quality of soil in the vicinity has loads of laborers pour into the Harri- proved that it will produce immense man camps over the Columbia South- crops of timothy hay and vegetables. ern railroad to Grass Valley and Shaniko. While the Harriman people are is that there will be no waste land bethus mustering forces by way of their tween the canal and the river, as there line through Sherman county, the Hill are no high ridges and no rock what-contractors are daily receiving recruits at The Dalles and Dufur. As The lands included under the system many as 100 laborers are reported to are owned by an energetic class of have been lodged at Dufur, the termi- homesteaders, and the company will nus of the Great Southern spur from be organized and the capital stock The Dalles, at one time, while to owned entirely by them. Among these Grass Valley, on the Harriman road, are M. J. Main, John Usher, A. D. even larger numbers were gathered.

June is set as the time for the com- Bowser and Harold Palmer. pletion of the Harriman road into the Deschutes vaeelly. Twohy Bros., gen-eral contractors for that road, are authority for the date. It is the general belief the Deschutes road will be the first completed to Redmond.

State Wins Battle for Taxes.

Salem-The state has won the first battle for the collectioon of several thousand dollars of accrued taxes during 1906, 1907 and 1908, under the last year's school population. There gross earnings act of 1906 from the yet remains one district in the county Wells-Fargo Express company. Suit to be reported before Superintendent was instituted several months ago in Bragg can compile the county school the circuit court for this county. The attorney general demurred to the answer the of the corporatino, and the demurrers were sustained by Circuit Judge Burnett.

The court held that to answer to the complaint made by the corporation to the effect that the gross earnings tax was unconstutitional because it was enacted by the initiative, was not sufficient, for the Supreme court of the state of Oregon has held the initiative amendment valid. The point has been carried by the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph company to the United States Supreme court for final determination in the case similar to the one now being prosecuted by Attorney General Crawford against the Wells-Fargo company.

Big Steel Bridge for Wallowa.

across the Grand Ronde river at Troy the Columbia Bridge company of Port- from the Roseburg quarries. land for \$7,984.

The bridge will be the largest in the county and will rest on concrete-filled steel piers. About 50 tons of material Telephone company is the new name from this city to Troy, a distance of build a toll line from Redmond to Madfor traffic by August 1, 1910.

COLONIST TRAVEL HEAVY.

Year of 1909 Was Record-Breaker. More Expected in 1910.

Chicago, Jan. 3 .- The colonizing work done by the railroads in the west and Pacific northwest during the spring and fall of 1909 broke all records in railway history. Figures prepared by the management of the Harriman lines show that the number of colonists who were taken into the Pacific coast territory far exceeded the aumber in any other year.

The increase over the colonist move ment of 1908 was fully 70 per cent, and mny have been in excess of this. Figures for the movement over the Hill lines are not available, the management refusing to give any detailed information regarding the number of new home makers they transported into the northwest during the last year. It is understood, however, that the

Hill lines did not make as determined in effort to secure colonists as they Pacific which led late in the year to the resignation of C. W. Mott, general immigration agent. On the Great Northern road, the illness of Max Bass, ceneral immigration agent, which reulted in his death, somewhat retarded in peace! Did you ever know anyhe work of taking homescekers to the thing so idiotic as Miss Dacre's dra-

orthwest. It is understood that in 1910 the management of both the Great North-ern and the Northern Pacific, aided by he management of the Burlington, are o make a special effort toward populating the vacant lands along their lines in the fertile states of the northwest.

thort periods which they call colonist Well, it is too bad of you! I hope periods. The spring colonist period is from March 1 to April 30, while the fall period is from September 15 to October 15. In the fall period of 1909, he Harriman lines sold a total of 11,tickets to California, Oregon, 41 Washington, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Utah, Colorado and Wyoming points. In the corresponding period of 1908, With an air of extreme annoyance the same lines sold a total of 6,227. The increase for 1909 was 5,314 tickets. This is an increase for the fall period of 85 per cent. In the fall of 1908 colonist tickets were sold between Sepember 1 and October 31, during which time the Harriman line sold a total of her son, Hope Desmond and Mr. Raw 5,816 tickets. Accordingly, in just alf the time in the fall of 1909 the Harriman lines sold within 4.275 tickts of the number sold during the 60lay period of 1908.

DYNAMITERS IN TOILS.

Striking Railroad Machinists Attempt Violence, Is Belief.

Baltimore, Jan. 3 .- Following an atempt last evening to blow up the Gaystreet bridge of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, three men were arrested on a mond's care this evening, for I have a charge of conspiracy with intent to dynamite the bridge and also the Mount in the morning." Clair machine shops of the company. The bridge was not seriously damaged.

William R. Shipley, Hamilton W. Lighter and William H. Zimmerman, all machinists, were later taken into custody. Detective Captain Humphrey claims to have evidence directly impli-ly. She particularly wishes you to cating the men.

Both Zimmerman and Shipley, who went out with the striking machinists think things promise well. Go on as of the Baltimore & Ohio here last May you have begun. She talks of going in formal statements today confessed had engaged in a plot to blow up You are, I imagine, firmly fixed in her



CHAPTER X .-- (Continued.) Hope looked at him with a very puzzled expression, then a smile parted her lips.

"I think you are all very curious have made in former years. This fact people here," she said. "There are is said to be due to trouble in the small signs of English reserve about colonist department of the Northern you. But I don't want to hear any more confidences; so I shall leave you.

"This is too bad!-when I thought I should have a minute's talk with you

matic attempt?" "I thought you pronounced it 'splendidly generous."

"Well, so it was, considering how mad she was about Hugh herself a couple of years ago. It was a match that would have suited my aunt down to the ground, but he would never In each year the railroads have two hear of it. Are you really going?

you will not go over to this practicing to-morrow? I am on duty, and have to return to quarters to-night." "What I can or cannot do depends

on Mrs. Saville. Good-by for the pres-With an air of extreme annoyance

Captain Lumley, stepping through one of the open windows, followed the path taken by Miss Dacre.

The dinner at Inglefield was very tranquil that evening. Mrs. Saville, son made up the whole party. Mrs. Saville looked ill; there were deep shadows under her eyes, and her face seemed smaller than usual; but she was unusually talkative and gracious. She discussed politics with her

guest, and occasionally directed her remarks to Hope. Mr. Saville contributed some rather original observations, and all things went smoothly. On leaving the table she said to Rawson, "I must leave you to Miss Desvery bad headache; but I shall see you

After a little conversation Mr. Saville went to look for some sketches he had taken of the Lincolnshire churches, and in his absence Mr. Raw remain; she says you know when to

be silent and when to speak; so f

free gift of nature: gold cannot buy them.

"And with them all," returned Mrs. Saville, "you can never lift your head above the obscurity of a mean position. if you only possess moderate means." "That does not seem a hardship to me. It is true I never knew what ambition meant, and therefore I am no fair judge of what is essential to an ambitious spirit; but men have attain-

ed to great power and yet had but little money." "Not often-not often; while to women, with their more limited sphere, money is still more essential. If every one was as philosophic as yourself, where should we be? Where would civilization, inventions, improvement, employment, be, if men did

not haste to become rich?" "But I do not object to people becoming rich, and I acknowledge that men who amass large fortunes are often benefactors to their fellows. I only urge that great wealth is not essential to individual happiness, and that men who increase knowledge and social improvement, who invent and explore, are benefactors equally with those who make the money which pays

for it all." "We are like the two knights who fought over the color of the shield. Miss Desmond. You must grant that if wealth cannot buy health it can at least mitigate suffering; and it certainly can buy esteem, if it cannot buy love. As to love, who feels it except the young and the imaginative? It is but another form of selfishness; some quality in another gratifies you or flatters you, and you think that person essential to your existence."

"There is something more in that that." said Hope, gently; "you must know that. Did you never love any one yourself?"

"Yes; at least I thought I did, and small thanks I had for it. But I am not sure that my reason is not too strong for my affections."

"I think," said Hope, slowly, "that you could love very much." She stopped, and grew a little paler than usual. "Pardon me if I take a liberty in speaking my opinion." "No; go on; you amuse me."

"We scarcely know what gifts we possess till circumstances call them out, and yours may not have drawn out your faculties in that direction. But I am quite sure the remarkable strength of your nature would make your love strong, too."

"Really, Miss Desmond, you are a

with such girlish simplicity for George is quite touching. Of co the Lumleys are enchanted at the sibility of such a marriage. 1 W der does it ever occur to them to ec up the number of aspirants Miss cre has encouraged and thrown os I do not myself quite understand w George Lumley hung about here much. I fancy he was rather laugh . at the future Baroness Castleton; and he is too much of a Saville to do what he doesn't like, even for a wealthy marriage."

"I must say, Mrs. Saville, that seems to me erring in the right direction."

"I suppose it does, to you. To me it seems weak self-indulgence, when you consider the position George Lumley is born to, and which he is bound to keep up."

"What a terrible birthright!" returned Hope Desmond, laughing, as she resumed her lace-work, and, tea coming in at that moment, the conversation was interrupted.

Hope had been for four months Mrs. Saville's constant companion, and, having got over the first almost overpowering inclination to fly from her. awful presence, every day added to the steadiness of her nerve, and to h influence with her wealthy patroness. She, top, rejoiced in Miss Dacre's departure for more brilliant fields of conquest, as her constant demands on her new confidante's time and sympathies were rather exhausting. The village concert had been a great success, but the practicings which led up to it had been an equally great trial. Moreover, Captain Lumley's manners had caused her much annovance. Preoccupied feeling had at first blinded her as to the true meaning of his attentions and efforts to escort her to and from the Court and Inglefield House; while the self-confident hussar was enraged, ploued, and above all fascinated, by the friendly, kindly unconsciousness of his aunt's attractive companion. He had never met anything like it before, and gradually prudence, worldliness, every consideration, became merged in an all-devouring desire to conquer the smiling indifference which baffled him, and to revenge the endless slights he thought he had received. At last he had torn himself away, hoping to renew the attack with fresh effect on his return. Meanwhile, he masked his batteries under a very overt flirtation with Miss Dacre.

Before starting for the Continent, Hope had leave of absence for two or three days, which she spent with her friend Miss Rawson. These were a refreshment to her pirit, and after much confidential talk and some necessary shopping she returned to her . post

The welcome accorded her by the self-contained mistress of Inglefield was warmer than she anticipated. Mrs. Saville had missed her pleasant companionship. Her presence soothed and satisfied the imperious woman, The sincere respect she evinced was so thoroughly a free-will offering that it was more flattering to Mrs. Saville than the most elegantly turned compliments from a luminary of fashion. 'You will go on and prosper, I have no doubt." were Mr. Rawson's parting words, the day before the intending traveler started, when he had come to Inglefield on business.

"So far all goes fairly. If I can win

Construct Big Fish Pond. La Grande-Adolph Newlin is pre paring to construct a lake on his tract of land near town. By some excava-

tions and dyke work a pond can be constructed which will cover about four acres of ground and will be several feet deep. The lake will be stocked with mountain trout. The site is ideal, it being surrounded by a heavy

cement deposits a few miles south of this city are to be developed next year. A plant will be placed on the property soon, with a capacity of 100 bar-Big Steel Bridge for Wallowa. rels per day. The big cement plant of the company is being located near ing the 175 foot span steel bridge Portland and will have a capacity of 1500 barrels per day. Most of the mahas been let by the county court to terial for its operation will be shipped

Telephones in Central Oregon.

Madras-The Deschutes & Harney

growth of trees and shrubbery.

population.

Develop Limestone Quarry. Roseburg -The big limestone and

and tools, including 36 tons of steel, eight tons of cement and four tons of tools, will have to be hauled by wagon and the from Hardin to Burne, was to be exploded were more than work done." 47 miles. The bridge is to be ready ras via Culver and install an exchange at Madras.

Big School Population Increase. La Grande-One thousand four hundred sixty eight school chlidren, varying in ages from 4 to 20 years, populate the La Grande school district ac-

cording to figures filed with the county

school superintendent from this dis-

trict. This is an even gain of 97 over

Lewis, John Peters, Joe Hoffman, Bob The main canal will be eight feet wide on the bottom and six miles long.

\$1,000 for 1910 Boost Fund. Eugene-There remains nearly \$1,-It will be applied to the 1910 fund, @1.09; valley, \$1.08. which has reached the sum of \$13,000. The board of governors has not yet selected a successor to John H. Hartog. the publicity manager who recently resigned. The board has elected the following officers: F. M. Wilkins, president; W. A. Bell, vice president; R McMurphy, secretary and treasurer.

Sells Farm for \$18,000.

Baker City-The E. A. Chambers farm, about 216 miles north of this city, comprising 240 acres of land and well improved, has been sold to Edward York at \$75 per acre, or \$18,000 Before purchasing the Chambers place Mr. York sold his Warren Spring farm, between Muddy creek and North Powder, 50 acres, to Lorin Perkins, for \$5,100.

Rumors of New Railroad. Paisley-What does it mean? Announcement is made that the Nevada-California-Oregon railroad company has signed a contract with the Nugent-Richardson Construction company for the grading of the extension from Alturas to Lakeview and that work will It is begin some time in January. stated further that the new line will be a broad guage.

Thousand Pairs of Birds Shipped.

Corvallis-During the season just past the Simpson pheasant farm, of Corvallis, shipped out of the state to the Idaho game preserves 1000 pairs of China pheasants, to be used for propa-gation purposes. Under the state game laws these birds cannot be shipped beyond the borders of Oregon except un-der permit from the game warden.

Thirty Musicians in Joseph Orchestra

Joseph-Joseph has one of the best number of them having played in professional organizations at other places.

Clatskanie for Good Roads.

Clatskanie-At a meeting of the citizens of Clatskanie and vicinity a tax good roads people carried the day by a large vote.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat - Track prices: Bluestem, 000 in Eugene's 1909 publicity fund. \$1.20; club, \$1.10; red Russian, \$1.08

> Barley-Feed and brewing, \$30@31. Corn-Whole, \$35; cracked, \$36 ton. Oats-No. 1 white, \$32.50@33 ton. Hay-Timothy: Willamette Valley, \$18@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$18 @21.50; alfalfa, \$16@16.50; clover, \$15@16; cheat, \$15@16; grain hay, \$15(0)16.

Butter-City creamery extras, 39c; fancy outside creamery, 34@39c per pound ; store, 225 @24c. Butter fat prices average 1%c per pound under regular butter prices.

Poultry-Hens, 14%@15c; springs, 1436@15c; ducks, 20c; geese, 12c; turkeys, live, nominal; dressed, 24@25c.

Eggs-Fresh Oregon extras, 42%c per dozen; Eastern, 28@30c per dozen. Pork-Fancy, 10@10%c per pound. Veal-Extras, 11@115c per pound. Fresh Fruits-Apples, \$1@3 box; pears, \$1@1.50 box; cranberries, \$9 per barrel.

Potatoes - Carload buying prices: Oregon, 65@85 per sack; sweet potatoes, 2c per pound.

Vegetables- Artichokes 75c per dozen; cabbage, \$1.60@1.75 per hundred; celery, \$3.56@4 per crate; horseradish, \$1.50 per boy; pumpkins, 134@ 1%c; sprouts, 6@7c per pound; squash, 1@114c; tomatoes, 75c@\$1; turnips, \$1 per sack; carrots, \$1; beets, \$1.50; parsnips, \$1.50.

Onions-Oregon, \$1.30@1.40 sack. Hops - 1909 erop, 20@21c; olds, nominal.

Wool - Eastern Oregon, 16@23c pound; mohair, choice, 25c.

Cascara bark-4 ½c per pound.

Hides-Dry hides, 18@19c pound; dry kip, 17@18c per pound; dry calfskin, 19@21c per pound; salted hides, 10@11c; salted calfskin, 15@16c; green, 1c less.

Cattle - Best steers, \$4.50@4.75; orchestras in Eastern Oregon. There fair to good, \$4@4.25; medium and are 30 musicians in the organization a feeders, \$3.25@6.50; cows, top, \$3.50 @3.85; fair to good, \$3@3.25; common to medium, \$2.50@3.75; bulls,

\$5.25@5.50; heavy, 4@4.75. Hogs -Best, \$8.50@8.65; medium, \$7.50@8.25; stockers, \$6.50@6.75. six and one half mills was voted. The fair to good, \$4.50@5; ewes, bc less; \$4.50@4.75; lambs, \$6@6.25.

1,000 workmen, and the alleged plot-

many persons might have been separated for the night. killed by the explosion. Detectives are looking for three other men, whom they say they can connect with the plot.

Prison Cruelty Alleged.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 3 .- General Dodd, testifying before the investigating committee, in addition to corroboratng the stories of cruelty to prisoners, and of filthy and unsanitary conditions, declared that the food served the priskind of animals. Prisoners frequently showed bread containing flies, he said and one man brought him a piece of bread containing a spider. He declared the place was overrun with vermin. Pearl Bryan, one of three white women

who was hung up by rings while at the stockade, said she was strung up nearly 45 minutes and was only taken feel quite free. The secret of comfort down when they saw blood running in such a relationship as ours is that lown her arms.

Mount Pelee Is Active.

advices received here report a violent "However, I do not wish to part comcarthquake in the French island of pany as yet. I must say you are one Martinique and the British island of of the few young women-indeed. St. Vincent early today. Mount Pelee, young or old-who have any common a volcano on the island of Martinique, and La Souffriere, in St. Vincent, are reported active and St. Vincent, are reported active. A message from Fort de France, Martinique, says an earth. Hope, with the pleasant fearlessness quake shock was felt, but no damage was done. Nothing has been heard from St. Vincent since early today. "You are a sentimentalist in some Considerable anxiety is felt here about directions, and you do not recognize Kingston, Jamaica,

Paroled Convict Is Shot.

Chicago, Jan. 3 .- Harry Featherstone, a paroled convict, who has a long police record, was shot and seriously injured here today in a chase which speaking thoughtfully; "but do you followed a robbery of a South Side sa- know, Mrs. Saville, I think I have a loon. Featherstone and two compan- truer estimate of the value of money ions were pursued after they had rifled than yourself?" the till and a policeman who joined in the chase sent a bullet into Featherstone's back. Search was begun for his companions. According to the police, Featherstone has participated in many daring robberies.

Labor Fights Big Trust.

American Federation of Labor tonight and respectability; but, after that, issued a call on its 1,540,000 members what can money buy? Not health, nor to subscribe to a fund with which to a sense of enjoyment, nor intelligence. \$7.50@8.25; stockers, \$6.50@6.75. Sheep—Best wethers, \$5.50@5.75; fair to good, \$4.50@5; ewes, ½c less; yearlings, best, \$5@5.25; fair to good, and as a violator of the laws. The laws will permit of fullest pleasure in all these but they must be still the sum of \$154,000 is to be raised at once. In all these, but they must be all the

"Heaven grant it!" said Hope, with ters admitted that they did not know heartfelt earnestness; and soon they

CHAPTER XI.

"I think, Miss Desmond, I shall go abroad next week," said Mrs. Saville, breaking silence one dull, drizzling, formerly overseer of the city prison, depressing November day, when they were sitting by the fire in the smaller of the two drawing-rooms. Mrs. Saville had been in deep thought, and Hope diligently making a long strip oners was unfit even for the lowest of lace which usually occupied her when not reading aloud.

"Do you wish me to accompany you?"

"Yes, of course. You are very ready to leave me."

"No, indeed, Mrs. Saville; I should

we are not bound to each other." There was another pause.

"Very likely," resumed Mrs. Sa St. Thomas, D. W. I., Jan. 3 .- Cable ville, as if she had been reflecting.

"What are my chief errors?" asked

the true value of money. The first is weakness; the second, willful blindness."

Hope, laying down her work and speaking thoughtfully; "but do you

Saville spoke with some degree of interest.

"I know that a certain amount is necessary, that real poverty is degrading, that every right-minded individual will strive and toil for a suffi-Washington, Jan. 3 .- Officers of the ciency, enough to secure independence

profound student of human nature. Unfortunately for the development of my affections, I am not what is called a lovable person."

"No," said Hope, quietly, "not what a surface observer would call lovable; you are too contemptuous of weakness, which you cannot understand; but if steadiness of purpose, a sense of justice, honor, and loyalty, are worthy of love, you ought to be loved. When I came to you, my first inclination was to fear you, and I determined not to yield to it, or, if I found it insurmountable, to leave you. You cannot support the companionship of a spirit inferior to your own."

"And you consider yours equal to mine?" asked Mrs. Saville, with slight smile.

"I do," returned Hope, steadily, 'You are my superior in knowledge, in experience, in ability, in strength of will; but my opinions, my individuality, are my own; I will never yield them to the mere authority of any creature, even to one I respect as I do yop. If, in speaking as I think, I offend, we are not bound to live together a moment longer than is agreeable. I may love you one day; I will never allow myself to fear you." "You are rather a curlous girl. I

do not wish people to fear me. Why should they?"

"I do not suppose you do; but you have a dominant will, which wealth gives you the power to exercise, and it colors your manner."

"I have always been well served." "No doubt."

"Well, Miss Desmond, you have interested me a good deal, and, as you say, whenever I grow too tyrannical, or you grow too fearless, we can part company. At any rate, you are more of a rational being than most young women. Now as to my plans for this winter. I cannot stand being worried by the people I know in London, and my relations; so I propose going to Dresden, a town where one meets few English. I have had enough of my compatriots for the present. I shall come to Paris in the spring; and after -oh, that is too remote to think of. I had a letter this morning from Mary Dacre. She is staying in Yorkshire, at some wild country house, where she hunts and shoots in modern-young lady fashion. She threatens to return here with her obedient father on the 17th, and that idiot George Lumley in her train. Lady Olivia writes that the preference dear Mary Dacre shows

Mrs. Saville's confidence so completely that she voluntarily mentions her offending son, I shall think I have done well."

"It will be a long experiment, I fear; but you have twelve months before you."

"Yes; and who knows what a day may bring forth?"

Twenty-four hours later saw Mrs. Saville and her companion dining at Meurice's. In the former's youth the hotel had been the favorite quarters of the well-to-do English in Paris, and she never left it. Hope Desmond had often been in Paris before, but generally in very loftily placed and diminutive apartments; and her present luxurious surroundings did not please her as much as they saddened by the memories and contrasts they evoked. After a few days' rest, Mrs. Saville set out for Germany, and in the quiet routine of their comfortable life there the current of this "ower true tale" seemed to stagnate.

(To be continued.)

Back to the Farm.

There is just one way for the people of the city to find it possible to buy eggs, chickens, meat and flour for less money-that is for some of them to leave the city and go back to raising more hens, more cattle, and growing more wheat. The fact is that the country is getting top-heavy. The cities are calling too heavily on the producing areas. Farming is getting to be one of the most profitable businesses of the country because the proportion of non-producers is getting so large. It is all a matter of supply and demand; just now the demand for foodstuffs is larger than it has ever been in proportion to the supply .--Denver Republican.

The Bachelor's Job.

"Any one who has the notion that a bachelor's life is all bliss is in wrong," remarked a bachelor. "All summer long I'm supposed to sit up until the small hours in the morning entertaining married men whose wives have gone away for a few weeks,-Detroit Free Press.

For the Scholar.

Medical Assistant-How about this vaccine virus? Is it all right? Doctor-I'm not quite sure about it. I wouldn't use it in my private practice. Better set it aside for use only in the public schools .-- Life.

"I dare say I am weak," returned "How do you make that out?" Mrs.