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A Tale of the Early Settlers of Louisiana.

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CHAPTER XIV .- (Continued) "Simon Lobols," she said, in a freezing tone, "spare me from your professions of love, for they only add to my misery. Now answer me a solemn question Where is my brother?"

"Your brother?" Simon uttered, starting in spite of himself, "What should I

"Put do you not know of him?" she asked, looking him steadily in the eye.
"I do not." But he trembled while he spoke; he could not help it. But you know he was seized by the Indians on the same night that I was."

"How should I know?"

"Simon, it is strange that you have never once asked me concerning the event of my abduction!" "I-I-a-have had enough to think

of without that. My love for you has engrossed my every thought, and claimed my whole attention. "Then you know nothing of him?" "I-I-why, how on earth should I?"

"Never mind. If you do not, then that is enough. Now, appoint the time for the wedding when you will."

"It shall be this very day."
"As you will. If it must be so, I care not for time. Henceforth all times are alike to me."

"Ay, sweet Louise, all of joy." "Yes-such joy as the lost child feels in the deep wood; such joy as the poor orphan feels when she stands by the cold corpse of her dead parents!" "Nonsense! But come; you shall find

better quarters than these." So Simon Lobots led his promised bride forth from the prison house back to the dwelling from whence she had been taken on the previous night, and then he went out to hunt up some more fitting garb for her to wear. He went to the Governor, and there he succeeded in purchasing a suitable habit. It was a dress made after the fashion of the times, of pale blue slik with scarlet facings, and ly. worked with silver lace and thread. It belonged originally to one of Perier's daughters, but she had never yet worn it, it having been made for her wedding dress, and her lover dying on the eve of

The dress fitted Louise to a fault, and when thus prepared, she suffered herself determined that there should be no subsequent question about the legality of his marriage. When they entered the rude church they found quits a number of people collected, and the aged priest was there in his robes,

The poor girl's head ached, and when she stood before the priest she trembled violently, and even Simon was startled when he saw how pale she looked. "Go on," she whispered. "O, go on,

and let me out from here, or I shall die." The priest commenced the ceremony, and Simon answered the questions distinetly. Then the holy man turned to: the bride, and he asked her the usual questions. She looked up, and in a faint, forced voice, she replied:

"To the best of my abilities I will do all this."

What more could human law require? Even Simon was surprised, for he had feared she would hesitate. But he knew not how sick and faint she was, and that she might have answered thus promptly in order to hasten the ceremony, for she wanted fresh air. The ceremony was fin- a seat. ished, and the nuptial tie had been formed, and the marriage was registered in the great parchment book of the clerk. The fee was paid, and then the bridegroom turned away.

"In heaven's name, my wife," cried Simon, as they reached the open air, what is the matter? What is it that thus affects you?" "O, I am sick-sick as death!" was the

faint reply. "Hasten-hasten to our home, or I shall fail and sink by the warside!"

Simon saw that his companion spo'e the truth, and with quick steps he hurried on, sometimes bearing his bride in his arms, and anon helping her to walk. At length they reached their dwelling. and Loppa was at once sent for the physician. The old man came, and at a glance he saw that his patient had a relapse of her fever, and this time he shook his head as he remarked:

"We can't drive it off this time, Monsicur Lobois. It is firmly scated, and must have its run. But the lady has a sound constitution, so you need apprehend no danger. But she has not followed my directions, I am sure, or she would not thus have sunk. Has she had

the nutritious food I ordered?" Simon stammered out a reply to the effect that the negro woman might have neglected it.

The physician dealt out his medicine, and having given directions for the care of his patient, he retired. Simon pro- of Chickasaws were on their way tocured for his wife another attendant, so as to have two of them, and then he in- girl a prisoner. I knew, of course, that formed Louise that his business called him up the river.

"To the chateau?" asked she, faintly "Yes. I was in hopes that you would have accompanied me, but that is now impossible. However, I must go, though I shall return as soon as possible."

"And what will you tell my father?" "Simply that you are my wife. Of course I shall explain how I rescued you from the savages, and how, in return, I claimed your hand. But I have prepared the best of care for you during my absence, and you shall not want for anything. The physician will be regular in his visits, and I hope to find you well when I return."

The invalid betrayed no sorrow at the departure of her husband, nor did she exhibit any extended signs of deep affection at his adieu. She closed her eyes

CHAPTER XV. Up and down the wide walk in the gar-Up and down the wide walk in the gar-den paced Brion St. Julien and Goupart St. Denis. The old man was pale and wan, and his steps were short and trem-

ulous. The silvery streaks seemed to have multiplied themselves upon his head, and surely many, a deep line of care was added to his brow. St. Denia looked not so pale, but a sorrowful look was upon his face, and in his dark, rich terms and the lady?" he asked. brown eye dwelt a melancholy light, such as could only come from a bruised and bleeding heart. His hands were folded

was locked that of his companion.

"We can search no more," said the marquis, in a broken voice, "They must and seek her, and as soon as she is able she shall be with you. Tony shall go

"And do you think old Tony's report can be relied upon?" asked Goupart. "Yes. He says he is sure, and if he feels so, then it is so." "Then our only hope is in enlisting the

whole French force in our behalf, for these Chickasaws are a powerful, warlike people, and not easily overcome."
"Ah, we cannot do that," returned the marquis, sadly. "The Governor, Perier, is not a warm friend of mine. He had set his eyes upon this place before I bought it, and he meant to have gained it free of cost. He dares not show open hostility to me, but he would not help

"Then," said Goupart, "I will myself go in search, even though I disguise myself in the outer semblance of the red

But the marquis shook his head dubiously at this,

"No, no," he said. "You would only throw away your own life, and then I should be left all alone. I could not live, Goupart, if you, too, were gone. Alas! what of life is left to either of us now! I had just seen the opening of life's promise—the budding of my soul's great hope-when this drear midnight

For a while after this they walked on in silence. All search had been made that could be planned with reason, but in vain. Old Tony, who was quick of wit, and who had not forgotten the wild life of his youth, had followed the trail of the marauders a distance of forty miles. and there he lost it upon a branch of the Tickfah. This trail led in a southeasterly direction, so the bereaved ones had not a shadow of doubt that Louis and Louise had been taken to the distant

homes of the Chickasaws. The day was drawing near to its close when one of the female domestics rushed into the sitting room and announced that Simon Lobois was coming. Both the marquis and St. Denla started to their feet, and gazed upon each other earnest-

"O," uttered the old man, "I wish knew that Simon was innocent of all crime in this." The words were spoken with strong, sudden emotion, and showed that the speaker had been racked with dark doubts.

"I would not may that he is guilty of to reveal the emotions of the inner man and I feel assured he will betray him

The marquis took a turn up and down the room to compose himself, and by the time he had done this, Simon's footstep sounded in the hall, and in a moment more he entered. He moved quickly up to St. Julien and caught him by the hand, "Ah, my good, kind father," he uttered, "I have been detained longer than I expected. But I am happy to find you

Then the black-hearted man turned to Goupart, and with a stiff, formal bow, he "Monsieur St. Denis, I hope you are

well.

But the noble youth spoke not in reply. He could not. He detected in Simon's eye a look of triumph that was not to be mistaken, and from that moment his suspicions were all alive again. "But I do not see Louis. Where is he?" asked Lobois, after he had taken

The marquis gazed fixedly into the speaker's eye, but he could detect nothing there out of the way.

"Louis is-is-gone!" the old man ut tored. "How? Have you not found him yet?" "Then you knew he was gone?" said he marquis, with a quick glance of fear. "Yes-I knew that both your children

were gone from here." "How?" the old man asked, "Louise herself has told me the story," vas the calm response.

Both the old man and the young started to their feet. "Louise! Louise told you?" gasped Goupart.

"Yes, monsieur," returned Simon, gazing upon the youth with a look of malignant triumph. "I had the good fortune to rescue the loved damsel from the hands of the Indians."

At this juncture the marquis sank back to his seat, and Goupart followed his ex-"And where is she now?" the stricken

parent asked, in a whisper. "She is at New Orleans. I should have brought her with me, but the state of her health would not permit. She has a fever; but you need not fear, for I have

left the best of care for her." "But how-where-did you find her?" "It was most strange," answered Simen, assuming a devout look. "While in New Orleans, I heard that a small party wards Lake Pontchartrain with a white the red villains had been lurking about here; and, moreover, I knew of no other point from whence they could have brought such a prisoner, short of the fort at Natches. The fear became so firmly fixed that I resolved to set out; so I engaged the services of one who knew the region round about the take, and having hired some men who belonged to a ship then lying in the river, I obtained two small boats and set out. We crossed the the opening of the trail that I had been informed the Indians were upon. We mounted the bank, and almost the first thing that met my eye was the form of side of an open space in the woods. I knocked the sentinel down, and in a mo-

an Indian pacing up and down by the ment the whole party were upon their feet. At a little distance I saw the form as he spoke the parting words, nor did she open them again until old Loppa came and whispered in her ear that her husband was gone.

Teet. At a little distance I saw the total of a female asleep upon the ground. I demanded that the prisoner should be given up to me, but I had to use some heavy threats before they would yield. Mrs. Pepprey-Yes, I believe he said At length, however, upon my promise that I would not cause them to be mo-

"About two weeks," was the reply, "And has she been sick ever since?" "No. I had meant to bring her with upon his bosom; his eyes bent upon the me, but she was taken down with a ground, while within his own stout arm fever on the very day before I started."

> A satsuic smile dwelt upon Simon's features as Goupart ceased speaking, and in a tone of the same nature he said: "You need not trouble yourself, Mon-

sleur St. Denis. I assure you I should not have left Louise, had I not seen her in the care of those who will be faithful. She has her own servants to attend her." "Her own servants!" uttered Goupart, changing color. "Yes, monsieur,"

"But Goupart had better go down, Simon, and come home with her," suggested the old man.

"Excuse me," answered Lobois, "if I just the man that I should select as an with assets nominally the same. escort for my wife!" Goupart St. Denis started half up from

his seat, and then sank back like a man who has received a shot through the heart. His face was deadly pale, and nephew.

"Yes, my dear father," Lobols replied. "I am the happy man. The sweet child has accepted me as her husband. And why should she not? She owed her very me with her hand." "But not yet, Simon! You are not mar-

"Most assuredly we are." "No, no; that is impossible! vould never have done-"Hold, sir! We will have no argument

satisfy you." Thus speaking, Simon took a paper from his pocket, which he opened and handed to the marquis. It was a legal syndicate. certificate-an attested copy of the record-bearing the seal and signature of the colonial clerk, and vouching for the legal marriage of Simon Lobols and Louise St. Julien. The old man read it, and then, with a deep groan, the paper fell from his hand. Quick as thought, Goupart picked it up. The hope had flashed upon his mind that the document might be a forgery; but as his eye rested apon it, the hope passed away, for he too, and he sank back into his chair. The election night in Madison square, thing had come with a thunder-crash up-

(To be continued.) A Question of Bills.

A traveller in England rested at noor at a wayside lan and took luncheon, ane landlord was a social person and after presenting his bill sat down and chatted with his guest. "By the way," the latter said, after

a while, "what is your name?" "My name," replied the landlord, "is Partridge."

"Ah," returned the traveller, with a humorous twinkle in his eyes, "by the international importance, will be held length of your bill I should have at Bradford, England, from July 7 to thought it was Woodcock?"

This story, as it appears in a recent book by a distinguished English diplo-

The Joke on the Joker. A Long Island justice has decided that to send a worthless package by express to a person, requiring the recipient to pay charges, comes under the head of petty larceny and is punishable as such. In the case the justice decided one man had sent by express a man who got the package couldn't see in 30 days, anything funny in the business and complained to the magistrate, who entered a charge of petty larceny and extortion and fined the joker \$5 and costs.

Says Mr. Med-lergrass. "As to this here plan to kill moskee-ters with coal oil," said Mr. Meddergrass, while the grocer was filling his can, "I don't know that it is fatal to started the breakfast fire in this town and subsequently gone out through the roof, it will be hard times for them Jersey biters when the coal oil campaign sets in in dead earnest."-Baltimore American.

Reformed. "Willie, didn't I see you matching pennies with Willie Blimmer?" "Y-yes, mamma!"

"Well, don't you know it's very wicked?" "'Deed I do, mamma!" "Then don't you do so, again."

"I w-won't, mamma-I'm busted!"-San Francisco Bulletin. The Magnet. "Look here, Dunwell, how do you

manage to bring out all your apartment house debtors? When I ring the bell no one shows up." "It's dead easy! I go down disguised as a health-food sample distributer. In lake, and landed as near as we could to two minutes every occupant of the house is in the hall."-Chicago News.

> Not Sisters. Mrs. Passaf (who imagines she is youthful)-I understand Mr. Brown, whom we met yesterday, said he would never take me and my May for mother bia, succeeding Dr. Paul. and daughter.

you looked like mother and grandmother.-Philadelphia Press. Hope is a lure. There is no band that can retain a wave or a shadow .-

Victor Hugo. White blackberries and green roses the fall of a wall. A number of other have been propagated in Louisiana.

### EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

A new system of searching for mineral ores by the use of the telephone is being tried at the Telescas lead mine, iin North Wales.

gow university graduation ceremonies.

The Mills & Wright company, of Boston, one of the oldest printing and book houses in New England, has made object to that. Monsieur St. Denis is not an assignment. Liabilities \$91,279,

starting up and taking a step towards his was liable for assessment on only \$190,- in the Northwest. 000 but he agreed to an assessment on \$250,000.

Judge P. B. Wilfe, of the Seventh Iowa judicial district, has just rendered life to me, and in gratitude she rewarded an important decision regarding the power of assessors to assesss taxes on property in the hands of a trust company as trustee. The court holds such property is liable to assessment both for county and city taxes.

Siquro, Mexico, is now the only about it. Here is the document that will plague spot in the Mazatlan district. Russia is trying to negotiate a loan

> Owing to freight congestion, it is re ported that fires will be put out in 2,000 or more coke ovens in the New River, W. Va., field. Four men were drowned at Bass lake,

They were fishing in a leaky, flatbottomed boat, when it sank. Claims against the city of New York knew it was a legal transcript of the rec- for \$500,000 have been filed by per- of that body that the members were op-

nine miles from Owen sound, Ontario.

rest most darkly against him. However, able to speak. But one look into the face give one cent a day for a period of abandoned by the administration. of Lobois started his heart to life again. one year for a benevolence fund for all

> Lakin, Kan., every car except one leav- ing the formation of new treaties. ing the track. Conductor Pond was escaped with a severe shaking up.

Ambassador Choate has informed the state department that a senitary congress, which will consider matters of 11, and United States representatives are invited.

The Pacific and Dominion express 500 gold bar stolen last week. The reward is now \$2,000 for the recovery of the bar and \$1,000 additional for the arrest and conviction of the thief.

The United States cruiser Albany has arrived at Palermo, Sicily, from Algiers. The United States steel corporation has put in operation more than 1,500 The express charge was 35 cents. The As many more will be completed with-

embassy at Washington, is to relieve levee from Red river landing to New Count Vodel as imperial German am- Orleans. bassador at Rome.

The report of Lieutenant General Miles on his observations in the Philippines and on his trip around the world has been submitted to the secretary of then insects, but if they are anything war, but it will not be made public, as breaks have had time in which to conlike about a dozen hired girls that has it is regarded as an inspection report.

A. B. Huberman, at Omaha, and dustry by the present flood. walked out with two trays containing diamonds of the value of \$5,000, the clerk's attention being directed to the telephone while they were looking at the gems.

Washington, D. C., was knocked down paying its share of the judgments. by a cab while attempting to cross State street, Chicego, and severely injured. He is 73 years old, and has sustained, it is said, two fractures of recovery is said to be doubtful. General Clark has the distinction of being the only surviving adjutant and chief of staff of Grant's army of the Tennessee. He served two terms in congress from Texas.

Luis Carlo Rio has been appointed minister of foreign affairs for Colom-

Nearly all Cripple Creek mines have been shut down. Scarlet fever still rages at Lake For-

est, near Chicago, and all public places are closed. In a fire at Shelton, Neb., a man named Cotton was fatally injured by was absolutely dark and before they dressed, 7 %c. firemen were slightly injured.

### RICH GOLD NUGGETS.

Portland Expositi

Montana Collection Will Be a Feature of

Helens, Montans, March 28 .- W. G. Courad, of the banking firm of Conrad Bros., who was named by Governor Toole as one of the honorary commissioners for Montana at the Louisiana Purchase exposition and the Lewis and Clark exposition, in St. Louis and Portland, respectively, has made a most interesting announcement—that he will send what is supposed to be the largest and best collection of gold nuggets in the world to St. Louis and Portland for exhibition during the expositions.

James McNeill Whistler, the American artist, will receive the degree of doctor of laws at the forthcoming Glasseveral years ago, upon the failure of The collection was purchased by the Contracts for hops for the crop of 1903 are being made in the Willsmetts several years ago, upon the failure of valley at from 15 to 16 cents, the forthat institution, and has since been added to.

The collection was gathered by ex-Governor Hauser, when president of the First National bank, and was the result of many years' effort. Even in the orchards of Josephine county, and if not nipped by frost the crop of these of the past quarters exceed those of any th assets nominally the same.

Alfred G. Vanderbilt has visited done in hundreds of claims throughout long the past quarters exceed those of any corresponding period in the past history of the government. Commissioner Strasbourger, of New York, to whom he explained that most as magnificent. Among the nuggets Lost Valley, Wheeler county, to be of his securities were invested in non- in the collection is one found in Nelson supplied by special service from Lone

The present value of the collection is formations.

It should prove one of the features of the exposition. It will be carefully guarded day and night from the time trustees to draw up plane and specifics- through the delay and uncertainty en-St. Louis and Portland.

## RECIPROCITY IDEA IS KILLED.

Other Treaties Will Share Same Fate President Gives Up.

Washington, March 28 .- The announcement in the Jamaican legisciprocity treaty with the United States is but a forerunner of what may be ex- county. pected in the case of all agreements of a similar character which failed to secure action by the United States senate. It was evident from the attitude ord. The paper dropped from his hand, sons injured by exploding bombs last posed to the reciprocity idea, as outlined in the reciprocity treaties that all efforts along that line have been

objects of the church. From the 250, that with the French republic, are not, odo Lutherans in the synod it is expectit is authoritatively stated, to be again ed to raise nearly \$1,000,000. submitted to the senate in December A broken rail wrecked eastbound next, and, because of the attitude of Santa Fe passenger train No. 2 at the senate, the president is discourag-

Sugar formed an important item ies, noticeably those in the West Indies, and so far as that article of import is concerned the administration is estopped from agreeing to any reduction of duty by reason of the terms of the Cuban reciprocity agreement. This specifically provides that no sugar produced by any country other than Cuba shall be, admitted into the United States as by treaty on convention while mat, is credited with having amused company, at Detroit, Mich., has in- the Cuban treaty is in force, at a lower creased the reward offered for the \$23.- rate bi duty than is imposed by existing law.

RIVER IS STATIONARY.

Swift Current and Favorable Winds Keep

Mississippi Down. New Orleans, March 28 .- With the river practically stationary during the worthless package to another as a joke. new coke ovens on Tug River, Wis., the flood conditions. The phenomenal speed at which the current is flowing and favorable winds have doubtless re-Baron Mumm von Schwazstein, who strained the rising tendency. A vigilwas for a number of years secretary of ant eye is being kept on every foot of

Members of the state board of engin-Fouchiere. On the latter stream there The company is now at work building showing gross disrespect for the arbiare now three crevasses, but planters two steamers to take the place of the trators, and that it sees no reason why struct temporary embankments. Much Two men entered the jewelry store of damage will be done to the oyster in-

To Pay Honolulu Plague Claims. Washington, March 28 .- W. F. Mc-Lennon, chief of the warrant division of the treasury department, "today The Illinois appellate court for the started for Honolulu, charged with the Fourth district has decided that when duty of disbursing the \$1,000,000 apa man is sent to prison for the murder propriated by congress to satisfy in part of his wife he is judicially dead, and his the judgments rendered on account of children are entitled to the insurance the destruction of property in Honolulu on the life of the murdered woman, in suppressing the bubonic plague dureven if it was taken out in favor of her ing the years 1899 and 1900. The Territory of Hawaii was also authorized by the same act to issue bonds not to ex-General William Thomas Clark, of ceed \$500,000 in amount, to be used in

Japs and Mexicans Unionized.

Los Angeles, March 28 .- The Los Angeles county council of labor has the skull and internal injuries. His adopted resolutions indorsing the action of the state organizer in effecting the unionizing of Japanese and Mexican laborers at Oxnard. The council adopted a further resolution favoring the factory prices, 1@1%c less. unionizing of all unskilled Asiatic and other alien laborers in Los Angeles. Local labor leaders state that this is the \$2%c; store, 15@18c. first time a union labor organizer has in any way favored Asiatic labor.

San Francisco Sandbaggers.

San Francisco, March 28.-Four men, armed with sandbags, secreted pound; steers, 4@4%c; dressed, 7%c. themselves inside the entrance to Greenwich street wharf No. 1 yesterday morning and robbed every person who dressed, 71/c. passed through the gate. The place Lambs ceased their operations the robbers succeeded in holding up eight men.

Hegs — Gross, 6%c dressed, 7@7%c.

# **NEWS OF OREGON**

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF THE STATE.

Contracting for 1903 Hops - Fruit Trees in Bloom in Josephine County - Medford Creamery Nearly Ready - Sheep Dying on the Ranges-Governor Pardons a Forger.

The exhibit is owned by Conrad Medford in about 30 days. The plant acres, from which \$2,719,384 was realised. During the corresponding months. The collection of the property of the First National bank in Helena. 300 cows.

mer price being generally recognized as the prevailing figure.

A postoffice has been established at

his hands were clutched upon his knees. "Your wi-i-ife!" gasped the old man, sonal assessment. He showed that he be the largest single nugget ever found Lane county, has been re-established. Seventeen canneries and 10 cold

about \$300,000 if melted down, but in storage plants at Astoria are making its natural state, as coming from the ready for the fishing season, which the Cubans that the United States did earth, it is worth more, a number of opens April 15. A heavier run than gems being worth several times their that of last year is anticipated on acweight value because of their peculiar count of the returns from artificial deal, the publication of the text of the Architect W. H. Knighton has been

appointed by the state board of asylum tions for a modern horse and cow barn tailed by the action at Washington. unsanitary building, the cost of the new structure not to exceed \$10,000. Governor Chamberlain has pardoned John Gates, who two years ago forged

at Eugene. Gates had served half his three years' sentence. The pardon was lature regarding the failure of the re- granted upon the petition of a large number of prominent citizens of Marion ranges in Grant and Harney counties

for want of feed. The long, cold winter, together with the deep snow and report on the treaty will be completed scarcity of hay, is responsible for the today. heavy loss among the herds. Sheep owners are trying to move their flocks owners are trying to to better ranges, but the sheep are too weak to be moved. Linn county real estate agents complain that most of the parties from the

demands at least 50 per cent of the local agent's commission before the homeseekers are allowed to locate. If the Linn county people refuse to be loss being \$200,000. Immense new injured badly, but the passengers reciprocal exchange in some of the treat- bled the agent moves his party on, buildings, 200 by 80 feet in area, were looking for greener pastures. Seven thousand dollars in cash has plant is the same which owns the just been paid as part of the bond price Standard gold mill at Colorado City, of the Ochoco mines, near Prineville.

> An enjoyable two days' farmers' institute was held at La Grande last week under the auspices of the agricultural

Fire at Portland Sunday morning destroyed the Parelius pulley manufacturing plant and badly wrecked the Enterprise planing mill. The loss is placed at \$15,000. A number of other buildings had close calls.

Water bailiffs at 'Astoria and Oregon City are leading a strenuous life at present trying to capture men who are catching salmon during the closed sea-

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat- Walla Walla, 72c; blue stem, 77@78c; valley, 77c. Barley-Feed, \$23.50 per ton; brew-

ing, \$24. Flour-Best grade, \$3.95@4.25; grah am, \$3.45@3.85. Millstuffe - Bran, \$19 per ton;

middlings, \$ 24; shorts, \$19.50@20. chop, \$18. Oats-No. 1 white, \$1.15 @ 1.20; gray, \$1.12 %@1.15 per cental.

Hay - Timothy, \$11@12; clover,

\$8@9; cheat, \$9@10 per ton. Potatoes-Best Burbanks, 50@60c per sack; ordinary, 40@50c per cental, growers' prices; Merced sweets, \$2@ 2.25 per cental.

Poultry- Chickens, mixed, 12@13c; roung, 11%@12c; hens, 12c; turkeys, ive, 15@16c; dressed, 18@20c; ducks, \$7@7.50 per dozen; geese, \$7@8.50. Cheese-Full cream, twins, 1616@ 17%c; Young America, 17%@18%c; burning. The fire has reached to a The fire started in a drying room.

Butter-Fancy creamery, 30@321/c per pound; extras, 80c; dairy, 20@ Eggs-14@15c per dosen. Hops-Cheles, 21@28c per pound. Wool-Valley, 12%@15c; Eastern Oregon, 8@14%c; mebair, 26@28c. Beel — Gross, cows, 8@3%c

Vesl-7%@8%c. Mutton - Gross, Ac

dressed, 7@7%c.

# OF ANY PAPER IN THE COUNTY.

GREAT SALES OF LAND.

ast Half of 1902 Far Exceeds Any Half

Year Previous. Washington, March 27 .- Land Commissioner Richards today gave out a statement showing the phenomenal inreases in sales of public land in the first half of the present flecal year as compared with the corresponding portion of the previous year. In the six months ending December 31, 1901, there were 7,476 cash sales made in the United States, representing 767,002 A creamery will be in operation at acres, from which \$2,719,384 was realof 1902 there were 23,015 males, of 1,0 663,613 acres, from which was realised \$4,747,563.

Inasuruch as these sales were princhpally under the timber and stone act, there seems to be justification of the president's course in extending the for-

ingling of Treaty Creates Fear of Fur-

Havana, March 27 .- Although there is much complaint here on the part of not give the reciprocity treaty a fair amendments has shown them that the treaty has not been materially damaged.

The present feeling of suspicion is due principally to the lack of assurances that the treaty cannot be amended in the United States house of reprethe name of H. W. Corbett to a check will call a special session prior to the sentatives and that President Rossevelt

regular meeting of congress. The presidents of all manufacturing and commercial associations today received a list of inquiries from the senate committee on foreign relations Hundreds of sheep are dying on the with regard to the effects of the amendments. It is requested that the representations be sent in tomorrow. The

BIG SMELTER BURN

Company Whose Employes are Striking Suffers Heavy Loss.

Canyon City, Colo., March 27 .- At

East who are seeking homes are accom- midnight the main portion of the panied by an Eastern "agent," who smelting works of the United States Reduction and Refining company at this place was destroyed by fire, the destroyed. The company owning the whose employes are on strike. The fire Friday, April 10, at 12:30 P. M., at broke out in the refinery from an un-Independence, is set for the sale of the known cause, and was discovered by pool of the Polk county mohair associa- the watchman, but could not be subdued, and soon the recently completed additions, which have been in progress of erection for the past year, were a mass of flames. The plant is not a total loss, as its entire value was \$500,-

> fifty men are made idle. Salvador Must Pay Up.

000, but it cannot be learned that there

was any insurance. One hundred and

Washington, March 27 .- The state lepartment has taken measures to colect the award assessed sgainst the government of San Salvador by the arbitration in the case of an American corporation amounting to \$534,000. The ecretary has accorded the Salvadoreans a full opportunity to present reasons The Rogue River Packing & Naviga- why the judgment should not be paid, tion company, of Grants Pass, is spend- but after patiently considering these ing a large amount of money in the de- representations the department has just eers are at various points along the velopment of the Lower Rogue country, informed the Salvadorean government Mississippi, the Red river and ha from the mouth of the Illinois down, that it cannot reopen the case without the money should not be paid.

Up Capitol Steps in Automobil

Washington, March 27 .- Three men in an automobile attempted to ride up the steps of the east front of the capitol today. They reached the second landing, 16 steps from the street, when the hain of the vehicle broke, and it ran backward without accident. The man who acted as chaffeur gave the name of J. D. Hurlbut, and said he was from Detroit, mich. His companions did not give their names, but one of them said he was a police commissioner of Hartford, Conn. The chaffeur was arrested, but later released on bail.

Fire in South Dakota Mine. Leads, S. D., March 27 .- The Bingham hoist of the Higgen Fortune mining company was destroyed by fire early today. The loss is \$50,000, partly insured. Four miners were at work at the bottom of the scaffold and were elightly injured. They escaped by Imost a miracle. The mine is timbered with heavy timbers and is still distance of 75 feet below the surface.

Heavy Loss by Fire. Rochester, N. Y., March 27. - Fire of unknown origin which broke out in the Hayden building tenight completeby gutted that structure and caused heavy damage to the adjoining puildings. The total loss is estimated at \$258,000. The building was seven stories high in one part and five in others. The fiames started on the fifth floor, and rapidly ate their way through the structure, the greater portions of the three walls falling before it was under control. No one was hurt.

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