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## fire protegtion negded

$\mathrm{O}^{\text {NE matter that should not be }}$ Central Point is the urgent of the town for a system of water works that will afford adequate fire protection. As conditions now are, the town is absolutely without any protection from the fire fiend and if a conflagration should ever get under way the town, or at least a good portion of it, is doomed. The recent action of the fire insurance com-
panies in raising the rates of inpanies in raising the rates of insurance in this state 25 per cent makes iusurance well nigh prohibitive in many ranges and the only apparent relief is in a good water system. Central Point has
been, indeed, fortunate in the been, indeed, fortunate in the
past in escaping serious loss by past in escaping serious loss by fire, but we can hardly ho,
always escape thus luckily.
Aside from the safeguard against fire which an available town needs more water for domestic use and irrigation purposes. With an abundance of water Central Point could be made one of the very prettiest
home towns on the coast and the home towns on the coast and the
value of all property would be value of all property would be very materially advanced with
the completion of an adequate the comp
system.
system.
It would, of course, necessarily cost some money, but not a great amount. A few thousand dol-
lars would do the work, and it is lars would do the work, and it is
probable enough water would be sold from the istart to pay running expenses and more. Recent experiences neighboring town of Medford with a shortage of the city water supply in two or three cases of
fire, shows what we may expect in similar cases without any.

The excellent behavoir of the Salem the other day, when a fire broke out in a building, compares more than favorably with the insane anties of supposedly sane persons, as often reported, when placed under simers of persons are placed under similar conditions. The sane persons usually stampede and trample each other to
death, while at Salem the unfordeath, while at Salem the unfortunate patients walked quietly from the building without ex-
citement or loss of life. The seret may be found in the feet that the patients are given a weekly "fire drill" and are consequently easily controlled under trying circumstances, while usual ly no such safeguards are pro vided for the general public who when in crowded theaters and similar places, go into a panic when the fire alarm is given.

Jackson County is getting the front with many stretches of rood roads and the value of adacent property is being thereby aterially enhanced. A fine piece of work has lately been one near Agate and the winter Sams vallens of the resident: of Sams valley and other locali ties in that section will be considerably lessened. Good roads side becoming a necessity in up. le of this county are to be conratulated on the mood work be ng done along that line

THE news dispatches state that a statement will be issued by the government in a few show

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 particular hardship on Oregon.
We have a large and inter class of victims of the interesting habit here, more, perhaps, than put through their course of
sprouts within the next year.
And there is no telling And there is no telling how soon
Puter may break jail or McKinley Puter may break ail or Mckinley
may return from the Orient and
start a new series of land start a
swindles.
RuSSELL SAGE is said to have left his $\$ 90,000,000$ to his wife to
be distributed by her to charity. Uncle Russell was like many other men. He was willing to
turn over the disagreeable tasks to his wife. And what more unpleasant task could be imagined,
from his stand rom his standpoint, than that absolutely giving away $\$ 90,000,-$
000. Metal Industry, referring to the use
of aluminium cables, anys that the N ngara, Lockport and Ontario Power
couppany has plansed to transmit elec.
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as Cleveland, 0 ., $a$ distance of
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been carried to New York city from N.
agara, and Metal Induastry and agarn, and Metal Industry says that to
the beat of its knowledge and bellef no
corporatloin corporatlan is at present planning ta
send Niagara eleotric power to New
York, which would require a cable llue
of 400 milles. of too milles. Yes, cold storage chlckens will have cone dutsod thke eggs, for the heal
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smokes nor cliews nad swears not nt
all was wiwe all was wise to turn down the appolnt
nent as United States son milghty uncomfortates to play a loae
New Zealand authorities announce that 54,000 womeat maty get good hus Now, If the strls take theere time anbout
it presumably the 3, ,co elligibles are to De annibilated the



The prestlent of France says, there is not a peasuant tu that country who doen
aot kuow Prosident Roosevelt's name not kuow iresident hoosevelt's name
Ouly a few of the "sentlemen of
Trance." however, know how to pro Prance" ho
gounce it.
That San Franetsec earthquake shook What wank, not only thakkhg bowese
down, but also shakthg the llquor as cense up from $\$ 34$ to $\$ 500$ n year.

Mulet, the artist, ashat of his comrade the late Jules Breton, that he patated
trits who were too teautiful to remalia seris who were too beautiful to remain
ta the country. This ralses the inter esting question whether a girl can to too beautifnil to remania la the country. As an ofenative and detensive weap-
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