Washington Letter.

The man who has been taught to lean on the strong arm of the government to secure success in his business or svora tion soon becomes an epitoms of gree and selfishness that knows no bounds There is no more apt illustration of thi truth than the sheep growers of the country. These men years ago organ ized themselves into a compact body and went up to congress when the Dingley robber tariff bill was pending and de manded of the committe who had the bill in charge the right to formulate the wool schedule of the bill, and they enforced this demand with the threat every member of congress who dared op-pose their wishes should meet with de-The ordinary congressman had not the moral stamina to resist the threat, hence he succumbed and the present high iar-if rates were placed in the present laws by these sheep men whose greed knew no bounds. While it is the brast of the

riends of the present adminstration that he increase in the price of weat is us to the so-called "prosperity" in the land the fact is otherwise. The tariff rates are so high on imported wool as to practically shut that article out of our markets, thus securing the complete control of the wool market to our home wool producers. Possessing this monopoly of the market, these wool growers have done just what they intended to do when they set out to secure a monopoly of the market-raised the price of wool simply because they now have the power to squeeze the people as they choose. Whe pays this increase in the price of wool? Not the foreigner as McKinley says for the reason that the tariff rates are so high that the importation of foreign wool is practically shut out. Then who does pay this increase in the price? We have not far to go to find the answer: Every consumer of weol and woolen goods in the United States is taxed to pay it. He pays it in the increased price of the wool and woolen goods which he buys. Now one would think these wool growers would be content with this benevolent mark of paternalism which the general government has extended to them, they are not. The spirit of insatiable gread seems to have taken possession -of them and they now want the fax payers of the entire state taxed to raise money to pay a bonus for the scalp of every coyote in the state. Now can any one give a single reason why the wheat raisard in the Willamatts valley should be heavily taxed to protect the sheep of eastern and southern Oregon form the wild anim one. ravages of Why not tax the sheep and cattle raisers eastern Oregon to raise a fund to destroy the wheat and fruit posts of the Willamette valley? Would not this be just as reasonable? Oh! the illimitablnature of the greed and selfishness cre ated by our blessed protective tariff.

Advertised for 40 Years.

A dispatch from Dunklick, N. Y., tells

of the following remarkable case : Forty years ago Manly Munger began advertising for a wile. Today he has ind her and has gone to Conneaut, O., where his ideal lives, to marry her and bring her home. Mr. Munger was the bioneer in the

vertising-for-a-wife business. He was particular in his choice of a partner, and none of the village or country girls in the community suited him. So he advertised when he was twenty years old. Newspapers and advertising of any de-scription had not the vogue of the prest day, and answers to his request for a wife came slowly but regularly. At loter vals Mr. Munger nearest his advertise ment, changing the style of the advert tisement with the times, and he gradual-ty collected an enormous quantity of letters and pictures from candidates for the position.

None of them pleased him entirely but as the years went by us still retained his ideal and never doubted that he would

Nome time find her. Munger owns a farm in the southern part of Chautauqua county and here he has lived for forty years with no other companions than the farm help and his great wooden chest of letters in the attic. When the flame of his youthful hope burned low the old man used to retire to the attie to look sgalo over his correspondence to satisfy himself that he had not by some chance overlooked his sonl male, whom he insisted was one day coming.

(From our regular Correspondent.) Washington, Dec. 24.h, 1900 Will England accept the Americanized Hay-Pauncefore treaty which will star for London this week, or will it reject it and invite something even less palat able? That is one of the most discussed questions of the hour in Washington Another is, will congress wait until Eog land signifies its intentions, before pasing the Nicaragus canal bill? can answer either with any certainty at this time, fbut the prevaiing opinion appears to be that the refusal of England to accept the amended treaty would arouse a very bitter anti-Euglish spoti-

ment, which might result in legislation that would be disastrous to English 11tarests instead of merely defending Amer can interests, as the amended does. The canal question is really puzzling and becoming more so. Some of the Senators who talk loudest for the canal bill are under suspicion of not

ing sincere, and no one need be greatly surprised if there is no canal legislation at this sersion although at the opening of the session, the canal bill was ered one the certainties, and it is fully known that the public sentiment of the country, regardles of politics, overindorses the Nicaragua whatmingly canal bill.

The extent of the fight for re-election that little Billy Chandler has on his hands may be judged from his having begged letters of recommendation from twenty-three of the republican senators, to be printed and circulated in Hampshire, as an answer to the charge that he had lost the the confidence and support of many of his republican colleagues in the Senate. Senator Bacon, just before reaving for

his Georgia home, where he will spend the 'olidays, laughingly said to a fellow Senator with whom he was exchanging goodbyes: "I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, but!I cannot wish you a happy new century, be cause I believe the new century began on January 1, 1900. I can demonstrate too, mathematically, that I am right but I won't take the time to do it, because my view seems to be at variance with that entertained by the rest of the world."

Minister Conger is to be recalled or account of his alleged botch work in the negotiations at Pekin, which have resuited in the signing of an agreement by the foreign ministers on the demande that shall be made on China, if close friends of the administration know what they are talking about. Others say 11 at if Conger is recalled it will be merely to make him a scapegost behind which the administration may concess its wab bling, which ended in a peremptory or-der to Conger to sign an agreement containing demands that this government had over and over again said it would not suree to

J. A. Wilson, a Boston lawyer, who

in Washington on business with the State department, said of the ship sub-"It is wrong in principle and aidy bill: if enacted into law will establish a, vic ous precedent. If congress wants to built up our merchant marine, it will amend the law so that those engaged the business may purchase their ships or have them built in any country in the world and give them an American regia try.

Even the amiable William McKinley chosen though he has been to serve for four years from the 4th of March next as President of the United States must be perturbed over the strange concatenation of circumstances which confronts him in this last month of the nineteenth cen tury. An important treaty made by a Secretary of State in conjunction with a British Ambassador, which met with the xecutive's full approval, has been so shanged and amended by a republican senate that to the vision of our Chief Magistrate it soems veritably transmorgi, fit i, i not all. An ex-Presi-dent of the republic lately dined, if not wined at the White House, deliberately attacks his administration for taking the position that our Constitution annues to the United States only and not at all to

Globe.

Better let the birds alone. Nature knows her own business best. Sometime ago, it is noted, the Pannerlyania farmers induced the Legielature to place bounty on the heads of hawks and owle.

Saturday Night Thoughts.

For about a year the Boer war has taken the lead in the important events of the world, and it looks very much as if it were destined to continue to be a great factor in the news gathering of the world. A worthat was to be terminated in a short time drags on for months and before it is months, and it may be years entirely ended. The English are sacriticing some of the best blood of the land in an effort to grasp from a free neople their liberty that they may have pos sion of the gold mines of the country Put it in whatever form you wish it get around to this. How long it will last no one can guess.

It is said that life hangs by a thread Back east this week forty-nice schoo chidren's live's hung by somebending ic and they went under to their fate. Death in each form is always to be regretted. and an entire nation may well shudder. *.*

This week in Albany there has been a large gathering of teac.ere, as well-bi-haved, intelligent a body of prople as it a possible to get together in a city, and it has been Albany's good fortune to have them here for a lew days. A city is always benefitted in many ways by such a gathering. It is not merely beneficial from a financial standnoint, but as well from a social and educational view. There may occasionly be a srank among teachers as there is among men of all professions, but the body of teachers are a refined, sonsible class of men and women who appreciate the importance of their mission, and earnestly labor for the advancement of their profession. There are some who use teaching as a stepping stone to other things, in faci

many of the greatest men of the country have been teachers, but most of them are in the bussiness as a life calling or until married, and everything that will help them in their calling they are anxious to learn. The convention here has been

learn. The convention here has been a success in every respect and has been a facided credit to the teachers of western Oregon.
Nothing has been attracting more altracting more altracting the xidapping of the fact of the fact and the xidos of the most fact of the day. There has great deal of moralizing on the daring things of the day. There has great menof the world had come up from been a great deal of moralizing on the tanget the xidos of the fact of the face of concern compared with the value of your concern compared with the value of your boy's satety. As bad as the example was it is easy to see what most men would do. The men who did the deed spiendidid feeling of fellowship among

was it is easy to see what most men would do. The men who did the deed will earn their money by the time they have succeeded in each jug arrest, if they do. And if they are captured the money will be of au value to them after they have served the long sentence they are bound to bave. The author of the rian to educate Fill-pino students free at the American col-lages deserves a yoio of thanks. The lates is humane and logical, and will prove of of Fillpinos that their conquerors have of Fillpinos that their conquerors have at hey can be imported, and other col-set being heard from every day. By the ime some of these young men begin returning home, waring tail collars their com-patriots will begin to see

time some of these young men begin returning home, wearing tail collars and leading bull pups by their chains, their com-patriots will begin to ere what they have been missing --Chicago Journal. An Eastern correspondent says: A modet estimate of the British loses up to date in the Boer war gives to to tal number of cascalties among the troops killed, wounded, dead of disease or disabled at 43,000. In other words, more than one in five of the 210,000 troops who were sent from home to con-troops who were sent from home to con-troops the work-homes of Eogland with harbor the maimed and helpes sur-vivors of Joe Chamberlain's "glorious war." What does Expland get in return for this sacrifice of life. The Democrate of life.

Porto Rico and the Philippines .- Boston

SATURDAY.

400 TEACHERS.

The attendance of teachers at the Western Division of the state Teachers Ex-President Benj, Harrison waited Association in this city this week has until after election to tell the truth about doing business under the constitubeen to large it has been impossibe to keep an accurate registration, but the number is at least four hundred.

A paper of merit was read by Miss Holman on the study of civil gove, nment, and was followed in the discussion by Senator Mulkey, in both of which th strength of organization was brought out. An Illinois woman has been awards

strength of organization was brought out. Prof. Burnham, of Portland, read an able paper on "Apperception." President Campbell in a paper on "Constructive Work" urged manual staining in our schools, the object of an education being to taske effective men and women. He was followed by Miss Magers of the Salem schools, who en-larged upon the work of the kindergar-ten department. Dr. Kellogg, cf. Portland, spoke on practical psychology treating it logically. A splendid display of pictures by the students of the Albany public schools elicited many favorable comments. The work is of a high order some of it dis-playing great originality, Miss dewell's foot ball picture particularly being in-genius.

The session of the department of col-legiste and secondary education was an interesting ard inst ucive one. "Athletics in the College" was dis-cursed in an able manner by Prof. Forrin of Forest Grove and President Lee, of Albany. The importance of physical training was well presented. College ath-letics have come to stay and are a part of once education. Prof. Steele was in favor of sthietics for the ladies. Prots. Hong and Hawley spake in favor of foot ball. "Electives in the High School Course," was opened by Prof. Reshort of Eugene. He was followed by Prof. Geiddes. The following officers were elected Frank Strong president, W. C. Hawley vice president, J. B. Horner sec., w. J. Steele treas., Dr. Dominic, Prof. Ferrin, W. M. Clayton, Samuel Holmes and T. T. Pavis executive committee.

day sent to the state treasurer \$23,-476,73, the balance due the state from Linn county on the taxes of 1899. Next Monday a hundred dollars which have been in dispute due for former taxes will be remitted. PROBATE —In estate of H J Hopkins inventory filed. Real property \$1500. Also estate of Hopkins Bros. personal property \$17,658 60. In estate of S McLane demurrer of W A Ewing filed.

New patents: O A Anderson, Port Isad. Ore, can opener; H A Denny, Reardan, Wash, brake, F B Folton, An acortes, Wash, cas Billiog machine; N L Goodwin, Thorp, Wash, horse hitobing device; S W Gutridge, Graulte, Ore, saw filing machine; R E Hickson, Moro, Ore eled; H Luckenbach, Seattle, Wash, treating ores. treating ores.

At the Armory Hall "An American in Cuba," Monday, Dec. 31. UD Van Dyke, of Lebanon, is doing business in Albany today.

There is more Oatarrb in this section o this country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced itinuurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitu-tional treatment. Hall's Oatarrh Oure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co. Toi-edo, Ohio, is the oaily constitutional and the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drong to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and muccus sur-faces of the system. They offer one hun-dred follars for any case it fails to curo. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toi-edo, O.

edo, O, Səld by Druggists, 75c. Hali's Family Pills are the best.

To any one desiring to step into a well established and growing business. I offer my stock, fixtures and good will. Respectfully, J.A. WEAVER, Will give possession Jan. 1st, 1901.

Don'tswear off for a year. Make it for the whole twentieth century.

A number of the teachers here are high in their profession, particularly President Strong, Prof. Holmes and Prof. Moore.

It would be difficult to get together a

Three railroads have started west

Come on right towards Albany. There is a pass railed up in the mountains waiting for some road that wishes to reach the val evoyer the C. & E.

More Than a Hundred.

One hundred and one have been added

in the great revival at the Christian church. Sixteen came forward at the invitation last night. Only twenty ser-vices have been neld since Mr. Scoville

PAID IN FULL. - Treasurer Miller to

For Sale.

CLOSING OWT new bicycles at Second

-all right.

Burned to itesth Othernia, Dec. 26.—Doshus Lavering's three children were burnen to determ morning and his house, together with its contents des royed by fire. Lavering is a cripple and earns this living by hauling wood. This m-raing he had gone to the woods to loap his wagon, and his wile accompanied him. About 11 o'clock a man ran up to them and informed them that their house was on fire. Rushing to the scene they found the house entirely consumed and after a little search th. charred remains their three little ones were discovered. The S. A. War.

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The S A. War, The S A. War, Losbox, Bec. 27.—The paucity and ob-curity of the dispatches from South Africa give rise to renewed anxiety. Apparently the disturbed area of Cape Colony extends further south than it did tast December and Lord Kirchener does not appear to have auch syccess as yet in driving back the invaders. The war office had received no news last evening of the reported capture of Yeomanry to ar Britstown.

Committed Suicide.

finer looking body of people than those gathered is this city this weak. Take off your hat to the teachers. They are Committed Suicide, Asintaxo, D. c. 26.-Robert Taylor, a well-known resident and politician of this section, died from the results of a self-inflicted ganshot wound this unorn-abovt 10 o'clock, at his farm, six miles south o'clock, at his farm, six miles south o'clock, at his farm, six miles the Christmas holidsys with his fam-ing the Christmas holidsys with his fam-ily, who reside in Ashland and returned to ranch last night.

fondying to England

Fondying to England Washington, Dec. 26. - In this even of Grert Britain rejecting the amended Hay-Paunofote treaty which now seems to be the probable outcome, it is vory likely that a new treaty will be negotia-tee embodying most of the features of the Hay-Paunoefote treaty as milded by the Senate but with such modification and changes as will not make the agree-ment humiliating to Great Britain.

The Chinese War.

vices have been held since Mr. Scoville came to Albany and not a service has been held without some oue turning to Orrisi. There will be no service tonight, but on Lord's day morning Mr. Scov.lls will preach at 11 o'clock on "The World's Great Monument." At 3:30 p. n. he will speak to men only, no difference what may be year church relation, or whether you are a Christian or not, you are invise to attend this meeting, sub-ject, "Men." He will speak again at 7:30 in the evening. You are invised to hear these three plain, practical, point-ed, powerful setmons. The Chinese War. BERLIN. Dec 25-Field Marshall Count yon Waldersee in a dispatch from Pekin pated December 24 says: The French troops encountered east of Chochangbetween: Pekin and Pao Ting Fu, a Ohinese force, numbering 2500 man, with artillery. The Ohinese field in the direction of Kuan Asien. They sufferen loss s and left behind them five standards and four cannon.

Of Course-

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec 26.-The independent glass combine r. cently, or-ganized, will January 1 advance the price on all window glass 15 per cent.

Being Reformed.

Being Reformed. London, Dec. 27.—The war office has begun the promised reform of the army in a sensational manner. It has de-manded the resignation of Major-Gener-wi Sir Henry Colville, commanding an infantry brigade at Gibralter and/recent-ly commanding the Ninth Division of the South African field forces, General Colville referes to resign and is now on his way to England.

his way to Eeglaud. Nothing in It. Chicago, Dec. 27.—Charles A., Wilsh of Jowa, secretary of the Democratio National committee, who arrived here today to assist in arranging for the meet-ing of the National executive committee in January makes denial of the, report that the present organization of the dem-coratic party is plauning to make Bryan the Presidential candidate in 1904. Mr. Walsh said there is no foundation for such a story.

for such a story.

49 Children Drowned. Drs Morns; Ta., Dec. 23.—Telephone messages by way of Occaloosa and Ot-tumwa say the report of the drowning of 49 school children at What Cheer is true The children were skating on a pond near the Fair Ground and the accident occured about 9 o'clock in the evening. Wire communication with What Cheer cannot ue obtained a present.

Frozen to Death.

Frozen to Death. OREGON CITY, Dec. 27.—A Tacomo dis-patch sinks that Harry Maffatt of this place, was 'frozen to death over two weeks ago near Dawsok City. He bad gone alone to Eurekh Creek for a hunt, and was caught in a snow storm and wandered similesity about for two days. He was found by a rescue party with his hands and leet badly frozan but died be-fore they could reach Dawson.

Sensational Murder.

Sensational Americe. INDIANAFOLIS, Dec. 27.—William H. Smythe, secretary of the Masonic Grand Lodge, was shot in the head in his office in the Masonic, building, stortly after noon today. Mr. Smyth says a woman did the shooting but the police have dons the shooting. He is not expected to live

When the search for the woman failed to reveal any trace of her, the theory was advanced that Smpthe had attempt-ed to take his own life.

It Won't Chop Wood,

There is a rumor that the Boars are about to sorrender. It is only a rumor. They won't surrender for a long time yet, not until the last ditch is reached.

\$4,000 damages from the bondsmou of a sheriff who permitted her husban i to be lynched. Served them right.

