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KNOCK the knockers good and hard. They are doing this region infinite harm and every one of them has a selfish object

OF AL the fields of human endeavor, gold mining. This doubtless accounts for the general apathy over the approaching election in eastern Oregon. Not so, however, with the silver camps in Idaho. There the hope has been aroused that boards of county commissioners are not mines abandoned for a dozen years may resume operations and the former life and activity be revived.

SHIPMENTS of mining machinery to South Africa have been resumed from Chicago, says a recent press dispatch. Thousands of dollars worth of machinery which could not be delivered on account of the Boer war is now going forward. One of the members of an iron firm, in speaking of the presents prospects in South Africa said: "Orders from that country are coming in again and the indications are that the Transvaal will soon enter on an era of prosperity such as it has neven known before. We are already crowded with orders and the plant is running to its full capacity."

ADVICES received at Seattle from Kodiak, Alaska, tell of a series of earthquakes which were felt in that place on October 9. The trembling began at 2:25 a. m. and lasted at intervals for six hours. Much damage was done to property, and one life was lost. At Karluk, 90 miles from Kodiak, the bark Heron, loading salmon for San Francisco, broke from her moorings and was driven ashore in the herce storm which accompanied the earthquake. One sailor was drowned and the cargo, consisting of 12,500 cases of salmon, was lost. The first shock felt at Kodiak created havoc in the stores of that place. At Wood Island, the North American company lost a quantity of breakable goods. The wharf at that place was also destroyed.

AND now the democratic partisan press and stump speakers are noisily declaring that if McKinley is elected, our republican form of government will be superseded by a monarchy. The republican papers and speakers are swearing that if Bryan is elected, the business and industrial interests of this country will go speedily to hell-figuratively speaking. Both statements are false and libelous. No man with a grain of sense believes either the one or the other, and the wonder is that such rediculous ghost stories will be resorted to to influence voters. The old diedin-the-wool partisans will vote their repolicy is advocated. Campaigning is for O. M. ROSENDALE spective party tickets, no matter what the purpose of reaching the independent, intelligent voters, who decide national elections, and to such men this kind of rot is mentally disgusting, nauseating.

THE gold cyanide sampling works in this city have been closed at the order of the American Smelting & Refining company, and now, unless an independent sampler of this character is established here, all the cyanides from the mil's of Center, cor. High St.

this western country will of necessity have to be sent east for sampling before the producer can expect any returns whatever. This sampler, which was the most extensive and complete of any similar works to be found in the United States, has already been a great convenience to the mining men of the west employing the cyanide process of ore reduction, and its removal will be sincerely regretted by them. It is understood that local enterprise is figuring on the advisability of establishing an independent sampler to succeed the old one, and it is to be hoped that the project will be successfully carried out. -Salt Lake Mining Review.

OVER in Idaho where the dear ladles are given a chance to "elevate the elective franchise," they are engaging in the game of kindergarten political jobbery themselves. The Boise Statesman says: "Some of the democratic ladies are proving themselves adepts. They discourage republican women from registering, declaring that they will be subject to jury none are affected so little by politics as duty. These democratic emissaries will all be registered, and they will all vote. No woman need be worried about jury duty. There is little doubt that they are exempt under the law, but, if they are not, going to draw women for jurors. There has been a little of that done, but it will be dropped everywhere. Every woman should register and vote, and republican women should be careful to see that it is not confined to those of the democratic persuation."

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