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## Finteres at the postoffice in Sumpter. Oregon, tor transmisston through the mails as second class matter. <br> POPULATION OF SUMPTER $\mathbf{4 , 5 0 0}$.

SEVERAI, hundred lives were lost in an xplosion of a chemical house in New York Monday, mostly girls.

STEPS have alteady beet taken by the labor organizations to re enact the Chmese exclusion law, which expires in 1902. Congressmen are feeling the labor vote pull.

THI: census buresu yesterday announced the population of the Ulinted Stater and temtoties, the tatal beling $76,424,864$, of which number K0,541 are Indians. Ore koll's population is givell at 413.532.

It is an eas thing to tear down: it re. quires abtity to buhl up. The knocker. even though sthersstah in lis ettorts to in. fate some our elise, of a town, of a distrist, is mot, thetefore, an individat of inteliect. nal torce or even tow cunting. He is merely a dog in the manger-a curse to auy commanty afficted with hispresence.

UF ON Puget Sound they are getting ex, ited over an antl-Jap agitation. Whether of not it is merely an anteelesthon dodge which the democrats have adroitly sprung is not made clear. The Japanese consol at Jacoma has called on the authorities for procection for the Mihado's subjects.

THE annual report of Adjutant General Corbin to the secretary of war shows that the regular army cousists of 2535 others and 53.681 entisted shen, and the voluntert army consists of 1548 ofticers and 31,030 enilisted min. A grand total of os, 790 , not mbluding the hospital corps. The regular and volunter army at pres ent is distributed as follows: United States, 908 officers and 18,808 enlisted men: Alaska, 41 offiers and to88 enlisted men; Porto Rico, 08 others and 2406 enlisted men; Cuba, 260 officers and 5468 enlisted men; Philippoue islands, 2367 officers and 60,161 enlisted men; Hawaian islands, 6 otfiers and 219 enlisted men: China, Bo otficers and acho enlisted men.

## HERE is the story of an Oregon cente

 natian as told by the Ashland Tisings: Jasper Fource, of Talent, Jackson, county, Ore., who was too years old last month, walked to Ashland Monday on a busi uess tif. Mr. Fource is from the Wiflamette valley, where he has resided for about a dozen vears, and came to Talent last June, where he secured work at \$15 per month and board, and has earned his wages ever since. He is a native of Pennsylvania, and remembers the war of ist2. In which his father was killed on Commodore Perry's fleet. He foilowed a sailor's life for 22 years, was in the Mexican wat and worked as a teamster in the war of the rehellion. He cast his first vote for John Quincy Adams for president.IN another column is printed a news item from the Raker City Repubikan rela tive to the purchase of cavalry horses by the goverument for use in the Philippines, with the craziest couclusion ever drayn by the mind of a man on the outside of an insane hospital. The paper points with pride to this evidence of prosperity
in eastern Oregon and infers that this will induce voters to sustain the adminisiration and tout for imperialism. Reduced to plain language the proposition is this: We are anxious that our sons and brothers shall sacrifice their lives in the Orient, that a few horse raisers may sell their stock to the government, which bills we pay by increased taxation. Now, isn't this a peach of a policy. Of course, the republican party doesn't sanction any such campaign material.
THE apparently reliable report is circulated along the curbs that the American has finally completed its municipal slate, which it has been working on for six weeks past, offering its support to numerous citizens and receiving numerous "regrets." The way the story now goes is that the ticket is A. P. Goss for mayor; Messrs. Stoddard and Cowden for councilmen and C. E. Roblin for clerk. THE MINER hazzards the prediction that If these gentiemen have consented to make their debut into the arena of municipal politics with the Blue Mountain American as chaperon and Cato Johns and E. J. Godfrey as sponsors, they will be enveloped in a freezing, blightening frost on their tirst appearance. Under such management, the opposition will force upon the tiket the hammet as its emblem and "knocking" as the paramount issue.

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