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CHAPTER III. They held the inquest that same afternoon, and in the room where Cerisse Wayne's body had been found. Dr. McGann, the coroner, could find no trace of violence on the young and

"She died of heart failure," he remarked, very simply. "Probably the animal who caused the police such fright and trouble gained access to the room, and the sight and shock were too much for her patently fragile con stitution to withstand. Remember. that this apparition has brought or Mrs. Desterle a stroke of paralysis and may result in the permanent derangement of her mind.

"I have wired Doubleday, Franz & Co., in San Francisco," he continued. "Their reply just received is that they know but little about Cerisse Wayne They declare that they knew her as Mrs. Wayne. Also that for five years past \$2,000 a month has been deposited to her credit with them. Parke & Gray, solicitors, of London, England, have handled the drafts sent to San Francisco bankers. Mrs. Wayne drew on this amount so freely that at times her balance was practically nothing, and frequently her account showed a small overdraft. For the past several months, however, her demands on the account have been very slight. Last month \$4,000 was sent for her credit, and her present balance is approximately \$6,000. Besides this they have a casket, said to contain almost priceless jewels, that belong to her. A copy of a photograph of Mrs. Wayne, which they have in their possession, has been forwarded, and Henry Franz, one of the junior members of the firm, is coming East to view the body. They report they have cared for her mail for some time past, and during this time she has had it forwarded to nearly every imaginable point, both in this country and abroad. and nothing to indicate that she had been mentally depressed or was in poor health. Over-indulgence in cigarettes may have unduly excited her mind. It is patent that she read and smoked till she grew drowsy and then lightly tossed her book aside. Possibly she wakened from some quiet dream to behold that creature in the room, and died of fright. There was one second of intense horror and all was over." "How did that-that-that-get in, doctor?" interrupted the still dishevel-

ed Doherty. "Don't you know that there's no place on the front of this, nor any other buildin' in the block where a cat could crawl up for a footin'? Ain't they all smooth sandstone, worn as slick as me last year's coat. And wasn't both of taurant and rendezvous of the newswindows there closed and locked paper men, industriously disposing of in the bargain, and no chimney in the a roast beef sandwich. room? Maybe the creature killed the far heavier and bigger than the poor little girl you've just been inquesting And here, now, is a cigarette stub that's different from the others-

stronger, can't you see?" The policeman held out the stub in question, and it was passed wonderingly from hand to hand, and later marked exhibit "A."

"Entrance might have been effected from the hall," said the Coroner with a puzzled frown.

Wasn't the door bolted from the inside? Can't you see where it was broke to get in?" retorted Do

"Ah, someone was inside and rush ed out when Mrs. Desterle opened the door," muttered Larry Morris of the

Everybody in the room directed his attention to the corner where the newspaper folk were sitting. There were eight or ten men in the group and one woman, a fair, calmeyed girl, Betty Lancey of the "Inquirer." Betty was barely 23, one of those tall, athletic, wholesome girls who demand classification in the mental menu as well-cooked oatmeal with rich cream, country honey, baked apples or new milk. Larry Morris was very much in love with Betty, but he didn't know it and neither did

Pierre Desterle denied Larry Morris' suggestion. His wife Annie Desterle could not come as a witness to corroborate his statement. Raving and shricking they had carried her off to the hospital hours before. Pierra for his wife, and himself, told all he knew of their unfortunate boarder "She came Monday night," quavered

the little black-skinned fellow. was all dressed in green. She had the prettiest eyes you ever saw, they were just like those of a hurt baby. So many violets were pinned on her breast you'd have thought 'twould have wearled her to carry them. She brought no trunks only the green bag there. Said she wanted room and board for two weeks and would pay well for them. Annie took her because of what she paid, and because she was so pretty. She slept late mornings and Annie was going to make her move to-morrow because she slept so late it made breakfast drag The women in the house didn't like Miss Wayne. They said she painted her face and smoked The men made soft eyes at her and the woman got jealous. Annie said she had awful fine things in her value, and lots of jewelry. Annie came up stairs to wake her, for it was lunch time, and then it all hap-There couldn't anybody have

"How long did that take you, Doherty?" asked Johnny Johnson of the ing away to spend the night newspaper coterie. He was thinking hand-baggage only. Great show, too, that the Coroner was a shade too judi-

cial and prosy about the inquiry. "Some six minutes or so," slowly an weight to carry; she's pretty fat, you. know, lately. Her room, too, it's clear back on the second floor.

enterprising newspaper boys had already had them photographed so that their papers might reproduce them.

The longer of the two was undated.

the other bore date of eight months previous, in mid-August and ran: "Cerisse Dear-Heart of mine, not forgive or must I die without word or sign from you? Forgive me, Cerisse. ear, forgive me."

The other, couched more formally hough in the same writing, read: "Cerisse-So the wander-lust still ervades your heart? Can you calm your restless mind and soul and body sufficiently long to realize that home husband, children and the develop-ment of womanhood's ideals is the

ithe life exacts from each of your "You must pay now, Cerisse, or pay at the end. If you defer payment of your indebtedness to the scheme of all creation till the end you will find the interest hard to handle. I shall appeal no more. Entreaties do not move you. Neither do threats and ommands are naught to you. But let me impress one thing upon you. If you do not return to me before the first of the coming year, I will kill you. Do you understand what I mean when I write this? I have never seemed able to make you comprehend anything I have ever written or said. You won't understand this, you won't realize that you will be dead, murder-

ing yourself from "Seems to me that 'H,' whoever 'H is, must have been intoxicated, deranged or doped on his correspondence course," whispered Larry Morris to

ed, before the blossoms weight the

orchards if you still persist in absent-

Betty Lancey. "Oh, don't joke," replied Betty "How can you at such time? Such a beautiful woman as she was, too. In her handbag there was nearly \$150 have loved to have seen her as she must have been when she was alive." "Death from causes unknown. Probably heart failure superinduced by

fright," came the Coroner's verdict. This ultimatum disposed of the body, which was buried next day. But in a cage in the municipal zoological gardens, snarling, whining and making the hours hideous. And it didn't dispose of the story. That went flashing around the world on the wires while newspapers the country over seized the scent to track the "greatest crime mystery of the age."

CHAPTER IV Early next morning Larry Morris sat in Le Roy's cafe, an all night res-

pritty little girl after it got in al-right, but how did it get in? Here's hoping none of the boys would come another thing. Will ye look at that in till he had got this Wayne story a bed? Now there's been two people little clearer in his head. Larry and sleeping in that bed, sir, one of them two photographers had made three trips out to the Park to see the awful Thing which some apt reporter had christened the Man-aperilla.

One by one the boys came trooping in. And the Wayne murder was the

topic of the night. "I'll tell you what it is, boys," said Hank Smith. "That Man-Aperilla is half-human and I know it. When those white and black eyes were turn er upon me I felt my soul crawl out rom under me, and I was left there hanging in space. Tell you what it is,

there's a story there." "Cut it, Hank, cut it," called little red-headed John Johnston, the best police reporter in town. "Here, Ma mie," to the waitress, "bring Hank some eatings so the rest of us can take a rubber at the conversational Wasn't that girl a stunner, game. though? And did you notice, too, wha a dead match that her hair was for

the color of the pelt on the beast? Now every man at the table had noted just that point. It was so obpoint that it was startling Each had been loath to launch an opin ion on it. But Johnny had a way with him of pumping all you knew by bold plays. Each man took counsel with himself wondering what Johnny would do next. For ten years these hove and Johnny had met every Monday night, and the crowd had learned when to give him rope.

But fust now Johnny and his bowl of rice and milk relapsed into stlence while his companions ranged far in wild theories of who "H" was, what part he had played in the life and death of Cerisse Wayne, whether she was wife, widow, murdered or simply another victim of the suicide list.

By and by Johnny dug down into one of the ever bulging pockets of his always baggy trousers. The by-word was that Johnny always looked much like a burglar that he never had any trouble gaining the confidence of the rather reticent people of that pro

oothpick?" questioned Larry Morris. "Here, look at this," answered John-

Into their midst he twirled the something he had drawn from his pocket. It was a man's garter of lavender silk elastic, the buckle hand wrought from rose gold, set round with amethysts and on the face the initial "H." worked out in emeralds and amethysts of excessive smallness but exceedingly great

"Where did you get that?" came the

"Well," said Johnny, "listen. I picked this up in the Desterle house about rushed down the stairs. I was in the an hour ago. Say, everybody about hall when Annie fell, and Doherty was that house has got stage fright. They with me, and he came right up here are all moving out. An earthquake after we'd carried Annie to her room. | couldn't move them quicker than they That was the only time the hall was are going. The death watch has got its grip on the whole thirty-five boarders. More than half of them are speedto watch them hustle out. I'm going to sleep up there to-night. I picked this garter up in the closet where it swered Doherty. "Mrs. Desterie's a had rolled down behind a little shelf. Now women, you know, don't wear

> "Might," bellowed Hank Smith "Saw a telegraph story the other day

"But here's the question," continued Johnny, "no man in the house knew Mrs. Wayne nor anything about her. Why, the only decent word any one of those curious passed about her was that no one had come to see her since she arrived, and that she had appeared embarrassed when her fellow boarders of the sex masculine attempted to pay

her any attention." "I'll just wager that she was some poor, sweet little girl who had mar-ried some old fool for his money," interposed Philip Hartley, whose sympathetic heart beat for all the misreated women in the world. "She's ound him unbearable, and refused to ive with him, and he's just hounded her to death. That 'H' may have stood for 'Hubby," in the letter that had the threat to kill her. I believe she's been taking slow poison, and came here where she wasn't known to snuff it off quietly."

"How about the Man-Aperilla?" flouted Larry Morris. "Proceed, Jules Verne II. Why don't you go farther. and have it a trained ape sent carrier have so longed for a letter. Do you pigeon, bloodhound-fashion by the still refuse to remember? Will you ogre-husband, to choke her to death?" "Because she wasn't choked," contended Hartley. "Heavens, what

oman she must have been." "Oh, to kill from jealousy," added Hank Smith. "Why, hallo; here's Bety Lancey at this hour of the morning. Betty, don't you ever get through work? And you're all out of breath. What's wrong. Mamie, get her some

tea. What is the matter. Betty?" Betty, white as print paper, sunk on chair. Her big blue eyes were opened wide. "Boys," she said. "Come with me; come quick, don't say a word, but tell me, am I crazed or dreaming; has it really happened or am I havlons? Oh, no! don't stop to finish eating; come quick or it will be too late I am afraid to stop alone in that awful room. You know I missed my train home and stopped at the hotel to-night, and, oh, it startled me so."

"What's up, anyhow?" asked John-"Tell the rest of them, Betty. I'm going up to get chummy with the mystery, sleeping all night in the Desterle house. Maybe I'll have a visitation, seeing as how my own head is some reddish. 'Tisn't like you to have stage fright, Betty." "I haven't got it," she snapped.

"But just as I started to get into bed and went over to raise the shade, I looked across the court into one of the other rooms of the hotel. And in there what do you think I saw?" Womanlike Betty paused to give her

audience a thrill. "Oh, nonsense; out with it," comnanded the boys. "Cerisse Wayne, her ghost or her double, and the handsomest man I ever

(To be continued.)

MARYLAND HISTORY.

Flag Snatched Out of Barbara Friet-

chie's Hands, Kansan Says. Poor Barbara Frietchie, will they never let her rest? Comes a Kansas historian with a discovery, the 1,249th made in relation to the affair, the Baltimore Sun says. He snatches the flag right out of Barbara's hands. "Twas not Barbara who waved the flag in the face of the Confederates, he says: It family. In fact, he accuses her of being a Southern sympathizer and "not a patriotic Northern woman." This E. Connelly, avers that it was Mrs. water system. Archibald Quantrell and her daughter Virginia who "waved the United States flag deflantly in the faces of the Southern troops as they marched down the streets of Frederick, Md." He proudly points to the fact that Mrs. Quantrell the guerrilla leader, who "led many a band into Kansas" and who "laid waste the town of Lawrence."

ginia was waving a little United States farmers and regular labor unions. flag at the gate, which so aroused the anger of the Confederates that a lieutenant with his sword cut the flag S. senator. from her hands.

About Barbara the Marylanders certainly have to "go from home to hear the news." Whittier, who knew perhaps as much of Maryland as he did of Senegambia, wrote a poem that gave wide currency to an incident that they tell us either never occurred or cerplay, which not only differed from the triumphs. facts but disagreed with the poem.

Now comes the Western iconoclast from Whittler's favorite and confers it upon an aunt of Kansas. The Barbaraites seem to be unable to agree with history, recollection, or to agree with each other. The story has as many twists and turns to it as the north pole dispute, and perhaps the best way to settle it would be to name a commission empowered to determine the true and authorized version, the said board to be composed of representatives of the following:

1. Those who declare that no such incident ever happened in Frederick and congratulated the entire nation up-

2. Those who hold that something Hughes to the Supreme court. or other occurred, but nothing resembling in any way what tradition or the poet describes.

3. Those who assert that Barbara waved the flag in Stonewall Jackson's face and dared the Confederate to shoot her, just as Whittier has related

4. Those who hold that there never

was any such person. 5. The new element who assert that the flag was waved, but that Barbara senator. didn't wave it, the glory going to some party who lived down the street two

6. Those who do not care 3 cents whether it ever occurred or not, but would like to hear the last of it.

Thus every element of our citizenship would be represented. If the commissioners settled the thing, it would give the public a grateful rest. If they didn't, it would provide a row that would be amusing and exciting. Trot out your Barbaras, gentlemen. Entries says her second marriage will be ilfor the Frietchie flag-waving contest

Taking the Tips. "Why did Dollarby sell his hotel?" "He wasn't making money fact enough."

"What is he doing now?" head waiter."-Washington Star. **CURRENT EVENTS** OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

Two French counts exchanged six shots in a duel and neither was hit.

A daughter of Richard Crocker, ex-Tammany boss, married a groom in a riding academy.

Mark Twain left all his property to his only surviving daughter. He left about \$180,000.

The jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree for Charles cannot discuss at this time," he re-Wezler, Tacoma murderer. A second man has been found who

received \$1,000 tor voting for Lorimer, of Missouri, for U.S. senator. The New York state legislature failed by one vote to pass a resolution en-

dorsing the Federal income tax. The police chief of Council Bluffs, Ia., has been ousted by the courts for complicity in the Maybray fake fight frauds.

Woman suffragists will campaign the entire state of Illinois during the summer in an effort to carry the fall

A Mexican multi-millionaire, who is dying in San Antonio, Texas, has summoned his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren to the number of 05. A small hotel has been leased

Miss Geraldine Farrar, a noted opera inger, sung to convicts in the state penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. Among the prisoners were Charles W. Morse, Greene and Gaynor, Loupe - "The Wolf" and many bank officials,

President Taft eulogizes Secretary Knox and his work.

Ninety bakers in Victoria, B. C., are on strike and the city is about out of A raid on gambling houses in Se-

attle revealed all kinds of games in full swing. Roosevelt dined at Copenhagen with the royal crown prince and is a guest

at the royal palace. Countess Szchenyi, formerly Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, has lost a casket of

iewels valued at \$40,000 The Pittsburg Plate Glass works were burned, causing a loss of \$1,500,-000 and throwing 3,000 men out of work.

The administration railroad bill is in was not any member of the Frietchie enough votes to kill its important fea-

An investigating commission reports that Chicago has been badly buncoed by Kansas chronicler, by name William bad castings for improvements in its

> this country Canadian settlers threaten to blow

was the aunt of William C. Quantrell, up a big dam which is ruining their property by backwater and causing Bank terminal property. many accidents by flooding roads.

Mr. Connelly puts some new frills of Farmers' unions in St. Louis, Sam-tinued. on the old story. He says Miss Vir- uel Gompers strongly urged a union of cannot be accomplished without ade-

> An Illinois legislator admits receiving \$1,000 to vote for Lorimer for U. Patten and his friends on the Chi

> cago cotton exchange cleaned up \$320,-000 in one day. Witnesses state conclusively that Swope, the St. Louis millionaire, was

killed by a violent poison. British Democracy has forced the tainly did not occur at all as he re- Lords to pass the budget which was delated it. Then it was embodied in a feated last fall, and expects further

who takes the glory entirely away It is claimed that at least 30,000 per-

sons in the city were not counted. Speaker Cannon declares the minority rules the house and that such rule must be stopped, even if it becomes

necessary to change the constitution. A rich rancher of Elk City, Idaho, hunting March 7, and two men who went in search of him two weeks ago

have not returned. President Taft, speaking at Buffalo, apologized to the state of New York

the appointment of Governor

ourchase, are retarded because of inability to secure satisfactory terms. One person was killed, two fatally

injured and about 15 others hurt in a street car collision in Seattle. The Indiana Democratic convention has endorsed John W. Kern for U. S.

The New York stock market is demoralized, everyone trying to sell to

Charles Wezler, confessed murderer the estate is not given. The will was of Mrs. Schultz at Gig Harbor, seeks a drawn August 17, 1909, and provided second degree verdict.

cisco business men subscribed \$4,000,-000 for their 1915 fair. Ruth Bryan's first husband, Leavett,

legal and that he will fight it. An insane young man aged 19 shot and seriously wounded three persons in New York and then committed sui-

on pulp and paper.

HILL WILL DEVELOP STATE.

Has Extensive Plans for Coast, Bu Cannot Divulge Them.

Portland, May 4 .- Beyond encouraging intimations concerning future rail road construction in Oregon and admitting the ownership of the United Railways and Oregon Electric systems, James J. Hill yesterday declined to make any statement relative to his plans or acquirements in this state.

While promising that before h

leaves the city he will make a further statement, Mr. Hill insists that more property.

"If I told all that we intend to do in

persons who would try to jump in unjust advantage or profit at our expense.," said the railroad magnate. "Will you say whether an east and locks.

west line is to be built across the state" was asked. "No; that is a matter that

plied. The solid through train between tion as soon as possible.

Portland and St. Paul will be known as "The Oregonian." President Hill, of the Great Northern, said that it was desired to have the name "Oregon" somewhere in the title that will be given to the new limited service, but the shorter form of the word had been



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Who arrived in New York Monday after his walk across the continent. He said he could start next day and walk back to the Pacific Coast.

Great Northern service was desired, so great danger, insurgents having 'The Oregonian' was selected as the

In reply to a direct question James J. Hill admitted that he and his associates now own the Oregon Electric and United Railways, but when a question as to extending the Oregon Electric this year to Albany and McMinn-Frank B. Kellogg, a noted "trust ville was asked, Mr. Hill again rebuster," will meet Roosevelt in Eu-rope and tell him all about conditions served any statement on the ground that it would not be politic to disclose

A similar reply was given to a question as to whether a new depot would be constructed this year on the North

"The terminal situation is a ser Speaking before a joint convention lous one in all large cities," he con-"Ready handling of traffic quate terminals. Look at Chicago. It now requires more time to get a car through the Chicago terminals than it does to haul it from Chicago to the Pacific Coast, once it is out of that city

"In the state at large," he continued, "the great need is for development of the outside territory. You now have large and growing cities, but they must have a settled country on which to draw. The upbuilding of the state is what is most needed."

Anne Morgan Will Talk. Denver, May 4 .- Miss Anne Morgan, daughter of J. Pierpont Morgan, will Portland is much worked up over the address a political mass meeting to be alleged carelessness of census takers. held here tomorrow night, under the auspices of the Women's Public Service league. Women are taking an active part in the municipal campaign now in progress and it will be Miss Morgan's first opportunity to participate in a political movement where women vote. Miss Morgan is accompanied by her mother, and spent the afhas not been heard from since he went ternoon investigating the methods of

Run On Bank Reaches End. Los Angeles, May 4.-The two-day run on the All Night and Day bank ended tonight. The line of hundreds of men and women depositors who had stood continuously for 36 hours melted almost as suddenly as it had formed Negotiations for about 280 locomo-tives and 5,000 to 6,000 freight cars, versed and, instead of flowing out, the which the Harriman lines expected to stream of gold began coming in. Before midnight many thousands, withdrawn but a few hours before, had been redeposited. The announcement of state bank commissioner, that the institution was solvent reassured patrons.

Twain Gives To Daughter. Redding, Conn., May 4.—The will of Samuel L. Clemens, (Mark Twain), the irrigation and reclamation. filed for probate here today, leaves the entire estate to the surviving daughter, Clara Langhorne Clemens, wife of Ossin Gabrilowitsch., The amount of the estate should be divided into two equal parts, the income to be appor-Amid wild enthusiasm, San Frantioned to the two daughters quarterly. One daughter died last December.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

FOR FREE LOCKS.

Willamette Open River an Rate Con- Large Tract Being Reclaimed in Cenvention So Declares.

Oregon City-The convention of the rate association at its business session | Klamath county tule lands as large as adopted the report of the locks com- an European principality, is being remittee providing that it be the sense claimed for cultivation and colonizaor less reticence is necessary in the of the association that the new locks tion. The tract comprises 12,700 acres carrying out of plans which require be built at Oregon City for the free use of the richest land in South Central the purchase of rights of way and other of the people of the Willamette valley. Oregon, and is located adjacent to the The association pledged itself to work Upper Klamath lake and within a few for the realization of this condition miles of the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon, there would be perhaps 50 and to hurry up and back up the Oregon Engineers have been employed to supdelegation in its efforts to secure a crintend the dyking and draining of ahead of us at each point to gain some Federal appropriation of \$300,000 to the property, and as soon as the necesadd to the state appropriation of a sim- sary surveys have been made, the work ilar amount for the construction of the of reclaiming it will be got under way.

ciding where to construct them, and to adjoining subdivisions. award the contract for their construc-

SOON START SURVEYING.

Road to Link Baker City and Portland to Tap Rich Region.

The Portland, Baker City & Butte Electric railroad company, which was ncorporated about a year ago for the purpose of building an electric railroad from Portland to Baker City through some of the richest sections of the state, will begin survey and engineering work out of Portland in a very The company is headed by C. N. At-

kinson, president of the Union Bank & Trust company, of Portland, who, before coming West from Kansas City, was deeply interested in railroad construction. Mr. Atkinson built more fruit lands in Oregon, a part of the than 200 miles of the Rock Island system in Arkansas, and 111 miles of the ford was sold last week for \$2,375 an Santa Fe in Oklahoma. He is now acre. The property comprised 12 determined to push the construction of the Portland, Baker City & Butte prop-Burrell, of Philadelphia for \$28,000.

of the river to the headwaters of the known. Warm Springs river in the Warm Deschutes Railroad company. Thence its course will continue eastward through the rich districts in which are located Dayville, Canyon City, and Prairie City, and finally terminate at Baker City. It will also tap a rich mining district.

General Manager C. D. Charles states that President Atkinson has taken over and now holds under contract of purchase the controlling interest in the trains that something distinctive of the company, and that the survey and engineering work will now be pushed with all possible speed. He said that the erection of a trough for horses. the district to be tapped by the road is This will prove a great convenience to one of the richest freight propositions the traveling public along the county in the Pacific Northwest, as every mile of ground covered is or can easily be made productive. The line will be built primarily for freight, although passenger service will also be main-

Reduced Rates to Summer School. Oregon, the Southern Pacific company has granted reduced rates for attendants at the University of Oregon sum- augmented to 2,500. General Maneffect Saturday, June 18, and continue day, August 6, thereby making it pos- great deal more help must be had. sible for teachers attending the session to save materially in railroad fare. Reduced rates have also been granted for the two state educational conferences to be held at the university the week previous to the opening of the summer school, and for the exercises of commencement week, June 19 to 22. Every indication points to an exceptionally large attendance at all of these

Logs May Go By Rail. Silverton - Having been deprived of the privilege of running logs down the Abiqua river from the camps east of the city to the mill two miles north of Silverton, the Abiqua Lumber company is negotiating with the Silverton Lumber company and the Southern Pacific railroad company with a view to making arrangements to convey logs to the mill over their lines of railroad. It was learned that the proposition of @1.25 per crate; apples, \$1.50@3 per the Silverton Lumber company had box; cherries, \$1.75@2.50 per box. been accepted providing such arrangements can be made.

Will Build \$10,000 City Hall. Lebanon-Lebanon is to have a nev from there up of brick, with a pressed 8@10c; rutabagas, \$1.25@1.50 per brick front. The lower floor will be sack; carrots, 85c@\$1; beets, \$1.50; divided into an office for the marshal, parsnips, 75c@\$1. three cells for prisoners, a firemen's room and a room for the fire apparatus Bermuda, \$2@2.25 per crate. of the city.

Baker Land Given to Settlers. La Grande -John H. Lewis, secretary of the state land board of Oregon, has placed on file in the local office a state "selection" of 44,505 acres per doze in Baker county, which will be given away to homesteaders who will pay for proposition is similar to the Twin Falls project under the Carey act, but it is reported that the state of Oregon will not charge for the land.

Will Employ 3,000 Thinners. who has one of the largest orchards in 5.50; calves, light, \$6607; heavy, \$4.50 the valley, stated that the work is one @5.50. of the most pleasant tasks connected

Cannery In Eagle Valley.

112,700 ACRES FOR CULTIVATION

tral Oregon. Through the individual efforts of W. Willamette Open river and Freight G. Souther, of Portland, a tract of

To the north of the tract is a large Congress will be urged to direct the arm of the lake, that will be set aside government engineers to make an esti- as a private game preserve, for the exmate of the cost of the locks, after de- clusive benefit of the purchasers of the

Mr. Souther's plan embraces the erection of a commodious club house on the lake shore convenient to the preserve, and the parking of the grounds surrounding it, the construction of piers and landings, and an equipment of modern conveniences that will make this the most unique resort for tour-

ists in the entire West. The greatest value of Mr. Souther's project, however, lies in the benefits that will result to Klamath county from the colonization and improvement of this great tract of wild land, 20 acres of whose rich soil will easily maintain a family, and the whole of which eventually will suport in comfort a colony of 3,000 to 4,000 agriculturists.

\$2,375 an Acre for Fruit Land. Breaking all records for bearing fruit lands in Oregon, a part of the The trees are in full bearing and have The plans of the company are to yielded a net income of \$500 per acre build out of Portland through Clacka- for several years past, such a thing as mas county, following the east shore a failure of crop having never been

There have been several sales in the Springs Indian reservation, and then Hood River valley and in Southern the contour of that river to its junc- Oregon, where bearing orhards were tion with the Deschutes river, where sold for from \$2,000 to \$2,200 an acre, the tracks will run under the elevated but until this purchase by the Philadelroadbeds of the Oregon Trunk and the phia investor, \$2,200 has stood as the record price for Oregon land.

> City Park to Be Improved. Astoria-The city park commission has under consideration a number of improvements to be made this summer on the park property south of the city reservoir. The entrance will be widened to double its present width by the removal of a portion of the bank now under the control of the water commis-The overflow of water from the drinking fountain will be utilized by road from the city to Young's river.

Many Laborers Wanted. Portland-Fifteen hundred railroad laborers are wanted at once by the Pacific Railroad & Navigation company, Reduced Rates to Summer School. which is building a railroad from For the first time in the history of Hillsboro to Tillamook. One thousand men are steadilyx at work, but it is said that the number could easily be mer school. The reduced rates go into ager E. E. Lytle states that work on the line is progressing nicely, but through the session to its close, Satur- get it completed as soon as desired a

> Dredge Will Deepen Channel. Tillamook-The master of the government dredge has received instructions to dredge out the channel to Tillamook, the chief of engineers having, on the recommendation of Major Morrow, granted \$1,000 for the work.

PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat-Track prices: Bluestem, 88 @89c; club, 86c; red Russian, 85c; valley, 87c.

Barley-Feed and brewing, \$22@23 per ton. Corn-Whole, \$33; cracked, \$34 ton. Hay-Track prices: Timothy, Willamette valley, \$20@21 per ton; Eastern Oregon, \$22@25; alfalfa, \$16.50

@17.50: grain hav. \$17@18. Oats-No. 1 white, \$27@27.50 ton. Fresh fruits-Strawberries, Oregon, 121@15c per pound; Los Angeles, \$1

Potatoes - Carload buying prices

Oregon, 40@50c per hundred; new California, \$2.75@3.50 per sack; sweet potatoes, 4c per pound. Vegetables - Asparagus, \$1@1.25 city hall. Plans have practically been per box; cabbage, 31c per pound; hotaccepted by the city council, the build- house lettuce, \$1@1.25 per box; horseing to cost between \$10,000 and \$12,- radish, 8@10c per pound; green on-000. The building will be 60x90 feet, ions, 15c per dozen; radishes, 15@20c; of cement up to the first windows, and rhubarb, 2@21c per pound; spinach,

> Onions-Oregon, \$2 per hundred; Butter-City creamery, extras, 27c

per pound; fancy outside creamery, 25@27c; store, 20c. Butter fat prices average 11c per pound under regular butter prices. Eggs-Fresh Oregon ranch, 23@24c

Pork-Fancy, 121c@13 per pound. Veal-Fancy, 101@11c per pound. Lambs-Fancy, 10@12c per pound. Poultry—Hens, 20@21c; broilers, 30@35c; ducks, 221@23c; geese, 121c; turkeys, live, 20@22c; dressed, 25c;

squabs, \$3 per dozen. Cattle-Beef steers, hay fed, good to choice, \$6@6.50; fair to medium, Hood River-Hood River valley will \$5@5.50; cows and heifers, good to be in need of about 3,000 apple thin- choice, \$5@5.50; fair to medium, \$4@ ners in a very short time. Mr. Mason, 5.50; bulls, \$3.50@4.50; stags, \$5@

Hogs-Top, \$10.25@10.75; fair to medium, \$9.75@10.

Sheep-Best wethers, \$5.25@6: fair to good, \$4.75@5.25; best ewes, Baker City-Farmers and fruitmen \$4.75@5.25; lambs, choice, \$7@8;

Wool-Eastern Oregon, 14@17c per "What is he doing how?"

He's luxuriating in the position of passes the Mann bill removing the duty eficiaries reside west of the Missistime to handle this year's vegetables pound; valley, 18@21c; mohair, choice, 31@32c.

Cherokee Claims Being Paid. Washington, May 4 .- The Treasury with the fruit industry. department today began issuing warrants in payment of the so-called Cherokee claims, which amount to about \$3,000,000, and for which an ap- of Eagle Valley have let a contract for fair, \$6,50@7. propriation recently was made by con- the construction of a cannery on the Hops - 1909 crop, 12@16c per gress. There are 30,850 beneficiaries, townsite of New Bridge, the contract pound; olds, nominal; 1910 contracts, Newspaper publishers in the East each of whom will receive something price being \$7,750. The cannery is to nominal, see a famine in paper unless congress over \$133. Three-fourths of the ben- be complete and ready for operation in sippi river.

