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Candidate Sxallow in his specelh
of acceptance, drelared that he would prefer being the difeated
nominee of the Powhibitionists than elected on the ticket of $a$ party
trafici.
During the past veek the the Orient has assumed a new
phase. Instead of land engage ments, the atleution of the world
is directed to the seisue is directed to the seisure of mer-
chant veselsels on the seas far from the scene of war. The oniv seri-
ons result likely to grow from this is an inereased unpopularity on the Unless the meat trike immediately the East will suffer more eeverely this time than dar.
fing the reeent wine day strike ing the reeent Line day strike.
Conditions are becoming more ser iones, and an adjustment of differa hort teriod. la one respect the meat strike will work as great a
hardsthip on the consumer as did the coal strike.

## Russia is to call in ber volun-

 tent by Britian. It will be bebererved terat thet me memuers of the takiog any riske.ter They do not proced to the ccene of $t$ tempt to infliet damage on the Jap ancee shipving, but, instead, they .scour around in perfectly safe waters and make a specialty of
bolding up harmlees merchant men. The distinction between the acts of the volunteers in this in.
\& tance and the acts of a pirate is - tance and
verv fine. $\qquad$
There is again talk of the construction of a county court Loose talk. Nox so far as the town Houlton is concerned, it has never
Jaid claim to the county seat a all its citizens are willing that the ecty of S. Helens should iniild up. Of course in tie eelection of a site
for the new court bouse the court
 the people in so far as this is pos. tary nor sighty, bat within a fen strard is a historical spot that to the writer of this paragraph is the ene. An excavation of four or tiv feet in the basaltic rock could be made and by laying up a stone
wall above ground, about five feet a good basement for a jail could bt formed. Then a modern frame could be constructed at a very proof vaults could be pat in, mak. ing a are and commodious place ${ }_{\text {as }}^{\text {tor Rainer is concernied, few of ite }}$ people entertain the thought of the county feat, tnd as for moving it to Clatekanie-that is entirely out of the question. A buildin costing less than $\$ 10,000$ can b built on the site epoken of that will be fulficient for county purposee properly constructed, when need ed, an addition conld be bult on. Of couree a stone building would be much nicer, but perhaps it not advisabie to puild more than base ment $t$ f rock al preseni. The some solid improvements made with the money they are paying in for taxes. It is up to the $\mathrm{im}_{6}$
 placel upon the road in the form of
crushed rock and rould do the county
much more good than all the work of the road master, provided the rock was
plaed where neeleel. The pepple of
Columbia county are being huncoed out Columia county are being huncoer out
ot ther mony by a lot of tax griters
Every session of the legislaturecalls for Every sesssion of the legislature calls for
a raise in salary, or the creation of some a raise in salary, or the creation of some
new ofice, possibly both, to eat up the
people's substance. Let the legielature
 that matter, and let the county julge
and the two commissioners look after the roads, and hold them responsible for
the expenditure of the money. Last Saturday about noon the denixens of Houlton were surprised to see a num-
ber of wagons loaded with camping out-
fits and gradiug tools and much lation was riie as to who the "gang"
was and as to where they were going. Some suid it was Harriman's Northern
Pacific graders on their Xebalem to begin work on the railroud
from Scappose to Tillanoolk by way of
Yernonia. Fresently the leader of then Yernonia. Presently the leader of the
"gang was scen to go into the Register "gang was scen to go into the Registee
office. From him the facts were learned.
Ir. Georye Gin Mr. George Grant, of scappoose, had
been engaged by Road Master S, to go down to Clatikanie and do some
road work, for which the county had
spent several dollars advertieing for spent several dollars advertieing for
bids in the Oregon Mist, Rainier Gazette, bids in the Oregon Mist, Rainier Gazette,
and Clatekanie Chief, all without securand Clatakanie Chief, all without secur-
ing a bid. Faifing toget the bidg adver-
ived for, the lag a bid. Fainng toget the bids sdver
tised for, the commissioners ordered the
road master to "lo the work se best be road master to "do the work as best he
can." Mr. Grant had been down once before atd looked the ground over and
as the people of Olatskanie were all very
busy, he thooght it advisable to tike busy, he thought it advisable to tike
ajong his own gang, who have become somewhat hamous as road builders. The
first object is to work out the amount of
the special road tax in the Clatskanie che special road tax in the Olatakanie
district, and incidentally to improve a
portion of the highway from Clateksnie portion of the highway from Clattkanie
to Nehalem valley and to open up and to Nehalem valley and to open up an of
put in passabecondition that piece of
road accepted from the s . Benson Log ging company in lieu of the road taken
by the said company for a logging railroad bed. One thing the people of
Clatkkanie may congratulate themseives upon, and that is that they will get val-
ue received for their money. These gentlemen are all citizens ofthe county and their reputation as workmen, which
is excellent, is at stake. Mr. Grant is an
old road builder and has worked this gang the past year. He will employ ad ditional teams and men from among t
residents of Clatakanie. A good row into Clatskanie is what the people wan
and is what they will get in this in DELEGATES APPOINTED. St. Helens, Oregon. July 2th, 1904 .
I have appointed the following persons to act as delegates to the conven-
tion, to orgnize THE OREGON DE-
VELOREME VELOPEMEXTLEAGUE, said conven-
tion to be held at the Marquam Grand tion to be held at the Marquam Grand
Theatre, at 1 oclock A. M. Tuesday of August 2nd, 1994, at Portland, Oregnn.
W. H. Powell, M. C. Gray, St. Helens P. A. Frakes, Harry West, Scappoose;
N. A. Perry, Houlton Jolin Campbell,
J. John Pringle, Vernonis ; W. H. Conyers,
J. N. Rice, Clatekanie; John Dibblee,











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with saloon.
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My guess is that the Republican presidential electors in Columbia unty will receive votes at the November election.
Name of Subscriber

## Post Ollice.

In the guessing contest corducted prior to the June election on the number of votes R. B. Hattan would receive for county judge, the guesses ranged from 600 to 1026. Mr Hattan received 864 votes. The best guessers were Arthur VanDolah and Chas. McCauley.
"Houlton, Ore., June 11, 1904.
This is to cerlity that the Columbia ReastrEk bas paid me the sum
[ $\$ 5.00$, being one half the amount of prize on guessing nearest to the of $\$ 5.00$, being one half the amount of prize on guessing nearest to the
nuaber of votes Hatan would rective at.election on June 6,1904 . My guess w
atner Vandetak.

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