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have reason to believe so, facts having come into their possession through the arrest in San Francisco of Gen Chen, who had in his possession a counterfeit certificate. About a month ago Chinese Inspector Dunn, of San Francisco, sent a certificate to David M. Dunne, collector of

CONSPIRACY SUSPECTED.

Uncarthing of Deep Plot May Result from

Portland, Dec. 25 .- Forged Chinese

certificates are being manufactured by

wholesale somewhere on the Pacific

coast. At least the federal authorities

Arrest of a Chinami

internal revenue in Portland, for examination. Mr. Dunne pronounced it a forgery and the holder, Gen Chen, orgery is a very clever one, the United States dies being imitated to perfection the properties. and every detail being minutely followed, even to the finished photograph.

The federal authorities here will not give out definite information about the justice, but it is known that in some one of the cities of the Pacific coast a counterfeiting company is turning out Chinese affairs, but that they must be grand success. possessed of considerable means to carry on the business in such minute detail.

The tricks of the wily heathen have given Uncle Sam trouble since the ex. from the neighborhood of Ashland, 70 the facts being numbered among the is a constant warfare between their clouds was very brilliant. The fires conning linked with that of dishonest were started to clear off the wild hay white men, and the federal authorities. lands, while ice and snow would pre-They are as resourceful as Aladdin with his wonderful lamp, a d as soon as the officers "tumble" to one of their games they spring a new one. At the present time, it is claimed, there are in circulation 150 forged copies of habeas corpus orders issued by Judge has been aroused so that he threatened not only to disbar any attorney on whom suspicion might fall, but to prosecute him as well. The orders are authority unsurpassed. issued in lieu of lost certificates and pass for such among the authorities But a Chinaman getting a bogus one

generally uses it in another state, so as to escape detection the more easily. ing, the first time in several years. A few years ago the government exposed a certificate counterfeiting gang HOOD RIVER CAMP, No. 7,702, M. W. A., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

F. L DAVIDSON, V. C.

F. L DAVIDSON, V. C. present company is operating on a tempted. The prompt manner in which jam. It was his second offense. the officers detected the forged certificate purporting to come from Portland rested at Helix on the charge of having and presented in San Francisco, shows played a copyrighted play without perthat they are wide awake.

NEEDS OF THE ARMY.

for Favoring General Staff.

## Corbin Explains Them and Gives Reasons

Cleveland, O., Dec. 24.-The fiftyourth annual dinner of the Cleve land Chamber of Commerce, which was held here tonight, was made notable because of the attendance of several men distinguished in war and meals, peace. The guests of honor were: Governor Nash, Adjutant-General Corbin, General S. B. M. Young and General A. R. Chaffee, U. S. A.; John Hanna. These occupied the platform angurated at the con.ing session of the table, at which also sat Tom L. John-legislature. son, Myron T. Herrick and others. The first speaker was Governor Nash. who referred to the growth of the

OREGON in part. We have much that is satis-We are fortunate in having a permanept military establishment of volunteers. What is known as the reg- in its natural state. ular Army is in the highest sense volunteer army, every officer and man taking service of his own motion. But perfection of organization is de manded-a harmonious and intelligent method of co-ordination and direction. Laws for the administration of the army have been drafted on the statute books in many parts without continuity of legislative thought, so that, starting out with the Constitu- am, \$3.20@3.60. ional provision that the President shall command the Army and Navy, you soon overtake conditions which middlings, baffle and bother those charged with chop, \$18.

responsibilities connected therewith." 2,500 WERE KILLED.

#### Earthquake in Asia was Most Disastrous -Famine and Pestilence.

London, Dec. 25 .- A dispacth from New Marghelan, Russian Turkestan. reports that the earthquake at Andijan killed 2,500 people in and near that city, and destroyed 18,000 houses. young, 10c; hens, 11@11%c; turkeys, lombia."
The rumblings continue. The author-live, 13@14c; dressed, 15@17%; work. Repairing a specialty. All kinds city, and destroyed 15,000 houses. ities so far have not been able to cope ducks, \$5@6 per dozen; geese, \$6.5 with the destitution of the starving, unsheltered people.

Coal Oil in Iowa. Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 24,—Oil has been discovered oozing from the anks of the Coon River, near Grant City, in Sac County. A quart of the oil sent to Ames College for an analysis is said to have been found to be 80 per cent, pure. The discoverer, a woman, has quietly leased 60,000 acres in the locality,

For Reciprocity in Coal. Washington, Dec. 23.—Senator Lodge introduced in the Senate a bill authorizing the President to remove the duty on coal coming into the United States from Canada, when ever the duty on coal from the United dressed, 6 %c. States going into Canada shall be OREGON. removed,

## NEWS OF OREGON

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

County's Prosperity-Oregon an Ideal Dairy Country-Salem Growing-Lots of Wood for Insane Asylum.

OF THE STATE.

Salem is making preparations to enlarge her city limits.

milling plant for the development of Stockton engine,

Marion County's delinquent tax

ship shows that the counterfeiters not of the World, was largely attended by only have a thorough and intimate delegations from Southern Oregon the interior department as regards and Northern California, and was a train in charge of Engineer MaGuire

on the shores of the Lower Klamath Why the incoming train was not Lake attracted considerable attention far explained, the men who could give clusion act was first put into effect. It miles distant. The reflection on the badly injured. vent spreading.

Prof. G. L. McKay, head of the dairy department of the State Agricultural College of Iowa, says: "There is no question in my mind Bellinger. It is impossible to figure but that wairy products and bacon there are 25 dead. out how forgeries of these orders could pork can be produced cheaper in have been made without the connivance Oregon than in any other country in of the accident, but the condition of of some of the attorneys handling the the world." Prof. McKay has visited four of these is extremely critical, and cases, and Judge Bellinger, it is said, Holland, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, and Eengand, and his investigations on this subject make him an

> Candidates for U.S. senator are exceedingly numerous.

Linn county jail is full to overflow

A hobo was sentenced to one year in

icans there.

The O. R. & N. contemplates putting

An extensive and profitable applefactory; our officers and men are of canning industry has been started up at time, the best-sober, brave and intelligent. Linnton. There is an almost unlimited supply of the fruit good for cook-

## PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Walla Walla, 70@71c; blue stem 78@79c; valley, 75@76c. Barley-Feed, \$23.50 per ton; brew ing, \$24.00.

Flour-Best grade, 3.60@4 10; grah Millstuffs—Bran, \$19.00 per ton; middlinge, \$23.50; shorts, \$19.50;

Oats-No. 1 white, \$1.15@1.171/2 gray, \$1.12%@1.15 per cental. Hay - Timothy, \$10@11; clover \$9.00; cheat, \$8@9 per ton.

Potatoes-Beet Burbanks, 60@70 per sack; ordinary, 50@60c per cental growers' prices; Merced sweets, \$1.75@ \$2 per cental. Poultry - Chickens, mixed, 11c;

Cheese - Full cream, twins, 1616@

7%c; Young America, 17%@18% factory prices, 1@1%c less. Butter-Fancy creamery, 271630 per pound; extras, 30c; dairy, 20

@2216c; store, 15@18. Egge-25@35c per dosen. Hops-New crop, 23@26c per pound Wool-Valley, 121615c; Eastern

Oregon, 8@14 1/e; mohair, 26@28c. Beef-Gross, cows, 3@31/c pe ound; steers, 4c; dressed, 6@7c. Veal-7%@8%c.

Mutton - Gross, 3c per dressed, 6c. Lambs - Gross, 3%c per pound; Hogs-Gross, 81/261/c per pound dressed, 7@716c.

#### DEATH IN COLLISION.

Ten Killed and Twenty-Seven More Badly Injured on the Southern Pacific.

Byron, Cal., Dec. 23.-Ten persons were killed and 27 injured in a collision last night between the southbound Los Angeles "owl" train and ing Logs Down Rogue River-Marion collision, the engine of the local plowing its way through the last coach on the owl, which was filled with Fresno people. The passengers who escaped instant death were hurled to the fore part of the coach, crushed between the mass of debris. their sufferings and danger intensi-

roll for last year is only \$3,000, the a leak in the flue of the engine. This case for fear it will defeat the ends of The original tax roll was for \$221,000 was deemed advisable to stop here and take up a freight engine for regive warning of the presence of the and Fireman Joyce, got the warning signal in due time and gave the us-Burning of a heavy growth of tulles ual response with whistle blasts. checked, however, has not been thus

LATER REPORT.

### Death List Has Now Reached 25, with Four More in Critical Condition.

San Francisco, Dec. 25 .- The latest revised list of the victims of the railroad collision on the Southern Pacific railroad near Byron station shows that

There are still 20 injured survivors additional names may yet have to be added to the death list.

An official investigation into the cause of the disaster has been begun by Coroner Curry , of Contracosta county, who proposes to thoroughly sift the evidence in order to fix the responsibility. There appears to be no doubt that the Stockton flyer, which ran into the Owl train, was signalled and that the engineer responded with a whistle The city elections at Monmouth were and threw on the brakes. The question in San Francisco and it is known that very quiet, there being only one ticket which remains open is whether or not the signal was given in time to avert the accident.

CANAL PROJECT MAY FAIL.

#### W. C. Russell, an actor, was ar- Senator Morgan Says Title to Panama Route is Insecure.

Washington, Dec. 23.-There were the recent elections showed more holidays. They heard a vigorous adforeign-born voters than native Amer- dress by Morgan on the isthmian canal negotiations.

Morgan contended for the making good of contracts entered into by a dining car on its through trains and President McKinley with Costa Rica cutting out the stop at the famous Log and Nicaragua. The negotiation of Cabin eating house at Meacham for these agreements he characterized as a masterful act, and said they were about to be trodden under foot. About 30 members of the Marion this was true was not a question for County Bar association will try to have a Democrat to solve, but he could, at ago by Professor Clayton, a geologist in a continual session of the criminal de- any rate, say he did not agree with the employ of the United States govpartment of the state circuit court in the mind-readers and spirit mediums

A drive of 100,000 feet of pine logs He then went on to express appre-is on its way down the Rogue river, hension that if the United States did June 28, 1904, if not used before that

Attention was called to the fact that under the Colombian law, only the Congress of that country can rat ing, but for which there is no market ify a treaty. There had been no Congress there since 1899, and there was ence by which the miniature stones not likely to be any unless the Panama Canal Company should pay its ex-States. He therefore pressed apprehension that a treaty that might be accepted by this gov-ernment would fall of action in Co-

After quoting from the concession granted to the liquidations of the old Morgan said was also made a law of ther development. They are co-operat-Colombia, he said:

"It is a surprise to jurists and lay nen alike in our country that the Atorney General, in his opinion given to the President on the right power of the new Panama Canal company to revoke a title to the United States of its property in Pan-

## To Create Game Preserves.

kins, of California, today introduced river runs being older. The layers a bill authorizing the President to set aside areas within forest reserves to be preserved as breeding places for wild animals, birds and fish. Within these areas all hunting, fishing and killing of game is to be prohibited at all times. The Senator has drawn his bill along lines recommended by the Presidest, and with a further view largely to doing away with state pro tection of game within reserves.

Successful Trial Trip.

Rockport, Mass., Dec. 23.-The trial

## MAY NOT ACCEPT

ROOSEVELT DOES NOT WANT TO ACT AS VENEZUELAN ARBITRATOR.

of the Undertaking.

Washington, Dec. 24.—President Roosevelt has not accepted the position The superintendent of the Tunnel- fied a hundredfold by the clouds of of arbitrator of the Venezuelan conton mines, in the Gold Creek district, scalding steam poured out on them troversy. In fact, when the official was arrested in San Francisco. The has gone to Denver to purchase a from the shattered boiler of the day closed he had not received formally or officially a request from the Euro-The "owl" left the Oakland Mole pean powers that he act as arbitrator

forged certificates. The fine workman- land and Phoenix Camps, Woodmen lowing a half hour behind and a flag sponsibilty of acting as arbitrator of the fined as follows: man was sent back down the track to points at issue between them and Vene- In the case of drugs, If sold under It is said that the Stockton been "taking soundings," with a view, States Pharmacopela, and the drug probably, of ascertaining how he would differs from the standards strong presentation of his reasons for the view he holds. No response of a in the case of foods, when any subthe view he holds. No response of a formal nature to these representations

has been received. The president and Secretary Hay had a long conference today after the former's return from his Virginia trip. They carefully went over the situation as it had developed since Saturday, but it is understood that nothing has arisen during the past 8 hours to warrant the president in changing his opinion as to the undesirability of his acceptance of the position of arbitrator. So far as for sale under the distinct name of can be learned, no specific reasons have been advanced by the European powers for objecting to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal. It is held by the administration that the tribunal at The Hague was constituted to arbitrate just such controversies as that which has arisen between Venezuela and the powers, and that it would be desirable should go to that tribunal for adjudi- marked or patented,

cation. the Venezuelan difficulty to The Hagne tribunal is not known to the administration at this time. Even the nature than by slaughter. of the objections, if there be any, is 20 senators in their seats when the not known. The negotiations looking

may have.

### DIAMONDS FOUND IN OPEGON. Big New York Firm Developing Mine in

Harney County. Burns, Or., Dec. 25 .- The fulfillment of the prophecy made 30 years

The mine is in the Blue mountain range, 40 miles from Burns, the seat State of Ohio, and especially of the City of Cleveland. The next speaker will follow, as there is a vast quantity of fine sugar pine in the Upper Rogue spoke to the teast "The Army and Its Needs." Major-General Corbin said of Harney county. There is no quesas to their commercial value. The pano and the mounths of the Orinoco be covered into the Treasury about too small for the trade. They are no fect. Days of grace are allowed as larger than a small pinhead. A few follows:

Were diamonds malleable like gold, if there was any process known to scicould be welded together, then Harney would no longer be known as the "cow days; salling vessels, 40 days, censes out of the \$3,000,000 on hand county," and Oregon would rank with

earth. The commercial value of the dia- be liable under the law. monds is now being determined by the great diamond firm of New York, l'iffany & Company, whose confidence in the new field is sufficient to warrant Panama Canal Company, which Mr. them in furnishing the capital for fur-

ing with the local owners,

tion in the concessions and in the is the formation that Professor Clayton schooner's crew was drowned. capacity, 30 years ago. It is said to ezuela's difficulties with Germany and be next to the oldest formation found Great Britain, on the North American continent, only Washington, Dec. 24.—Senator Per that through which the St. Lawrence thus far mined yield only extremely small stones, but it is expected and hoped that other layers will be discommercial importance.

To Wipe Out Coney Island Bowery. New York, Dec. 24.-The first imortant step for the acquirement for park purposes of 132 acres of land at D Island's Bowery and converting the island into a national senside resort. the Monitor Nevada was held off has been taken. At a meeting attend-

## PURE FOOD BILL.

Congress Passes Measure with Little Opposition-Text of the Law.

Washington, Dec. 23.-The House has passed the pure-food bill by vote of 72 to 21 There was not a quorum present, but the point was Extensive Apple Canning Industry Drive the Stockton flyer. It was a rear-end Thinks That The Hague Tribunal is the not raised by the opponents of the King of Great Britain and Governor Gen-Proper Court to Decide the Matter - measure. The speakers were Rich-Should Allies Insist, He May Accept, ardson of Alabama, Hepburn of Iowa, Although He Realizes the Difficulties Gaines of Tennessee and Schirm of Maryland, for the measure, and Chandler of Mississippi against it.

A bill was passed to donate a plecof ground to Clallam, Wash.

at 3:30 the House adjourned.

#### What the Bill Includes.

The pure-food bill inhibits the in troduction into any state or territory. or the District of Columbia, from any about 5 o'clock, and on the way to of the dispute. These statements foreign country, or the shipment to augatory messages, including one roll for last year is only \$3.000, the smallest in the history of the county.

The original tax roll was for \$221,000 and take up a freight engine for region on this point it was noted that there was a leak in the flue of the engine. This increased to such an extent that it was deemed advisable to stop here and take up a freight engine for region on the highest authority.

In an informal manner the president flood or drug which is adulterated or misbranded. The above inhibition is been transmitted and forwarded to apply to any one shipping. powers intimately concerned in the delivering or receiving, within the remessage to the London Times has A joint "log-rolling" given by Ash- No. 84, the Stockton local, was fol-

zuela. Thus far they merely have a name recognized in the United receive a formal proffer to act as arbi- strength, quality and purity as detertrator. The president, as soon as he received the first intimation that he was desired to be arbitrator of the Ven. was desired to be arbitrator of the Venesuelan controversy, expressed emphatically his judgment that the matters to imitation of or offered for sale under transmitted from Glace Bay, N. S., to be arbitrated should be referred to The the name of another article; and, in Hague tribunal. His views of the sug-gestions made have been conveyed to tain terra alba, barytes, tale, chrome the European powers, together with a yellow or other mineral substances,

stance is mixed with it so as to lower or injuriously effect its quality or strength, so that such product, when offered for sale, shall tend to deceive the purchaser.

If any substance or substances have

been substituted so that the product when sold shall tend to deceive the purchaser. If any valuable constituent of an article has been wholly or in part abstracted.

If it be an imitation of or offered

another article. If it be mixed, colored, powdered or stained in a manner whereby damage or inferiority is conceded. If it contain any added or poisonous ingredient which may render such ar

ticle injurious to health, If it is falsely labeled as a foreign product or imitation of another sub stance of a previously established from this viewpoint that the dispute name, or which has been trade-If it consists, in whole or in part

of a filthy, decomposed or putrid anthe allied powers have to a reference of | imal or vegetable substance, or any of congratulation to Marconi tonight, portion of animal unfit for food, or if it is the product of a diseased ani mal or one that has died otherwise The last section of the bill pro vides that any article of food or drug

20 senators in their sears when the to the selection of an arbitrator have that is adulterated or misbrander Registration in Astoria previous to final session before the Christmas not progressed sufficiently yet to de- within the meaning of this bill, and velop such objections as the powers is transported, or being transported from one state to another for sale, or if it he sold in the District of Columbia or the territories, or if it be im ported from a foreign country, shall e liable to confiscation by a process of libel for condemnation in the United States courts. Such goods, it it also provided, shall not be sold in any state contrary to the laws

thereof.

#### BLOCKADE IS ON. All Venezuelan Ports are Closed - Grace

Allowed Ships En Route. Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 23 .-Admiral Douglas, of the British fleet

have been discovered that would sell To vessels salling prior to the date for from \$30 to \$300, but they are rare. of the decree of blockade from the West Indian ports and from the east coast of the continent of America-Steamers, 10 days; sailing vessels, 20

days. From other ports-Steamers, 20 Vessels in the blockaded ports will or the \$40,000,000 promised by the the diamond producing regions of the be allowed 15 days to obtain clear ances. Violaters of the blockade will It is intimated here that the block ade probably will not last longer than

## 30 days.

Germans Hurried Them. Caracas, Dec. 23 .- When the Ger man cruiser Falke captured the Ven The diamonds are found in layers of ezuelan schooner Victoria in the Gulf volcanic ash. Geologists and mineral- of Maracaibo, the captain of the vesogists agree that the formation being sel was given 10 minutes to leave his the volcanic ash of ancient origin, is ship. A heavy sea was running at the the same as that indigenous to South time, and the small boat in which the Africa, where the largest diamonds in Venezuelans disembarked was nearly ma, omitted to notice the prohibi the world have been exploited. This capsized. As it was, one of the laws of Colombia, through which it referred to when observing the geolog- has been learned that the captain of derived all its property rights in Co ical conditions of Oregon in his offical the Victoria was not aware of Ven

MARCHING ON CARACAS.

#### Rebel Army of 10,000 Said to Be Coming Towards the Capital.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 23 .covered that bear the precious gems of It is reported here that the Venezuelan revolutionary Generals Penaloza Rolando, Riera and Solague, with a force said to number 10,000 men, are marching on Caracas, and are lieved now to be near that city. Cable

Chinamen Sent Back Home.

2 hours, 9 minutes and 30 seconds, or plan was unanimously approved. had not been registered under the man escaped. Slocum died later. The at the rate of 13 knots an hour, allowing nine minutes for turning. Her contract called for 11½ knots.

Of Brooklyn and officials the the deportation of 12 Chinamen was was shot and captured. The second had not been registered under the man escaped. Slocum died later. The exclusion act and could not show that posed to be acquired by the city they arrived in the United States be fore the passage of the act.

# WIRES OUT OF DATE

WIRELESS MESSAGES EXCHANGED BE-TWEEN CANADA AND EUROPE.

eral of Canada Exchange Greetings-Experiment was Entirely Successful-Practical Utility of Great Invention Fully Established.

New York, Dec. 24 .- The following dispatch from Marconi, dated Glace Bay, N. S., December 24, has been re-

ceived by the Associated Press; "I beg to inform you, for circulation, that I have established wireless telegraph communication between or the District of Columbia, from any Cape Breton, Canada, and Cornwall, other state or territory, or from any England, with complete success. Inkin, M. P.

#### "G MARCONI"

Text of the Messages] London, Dec. 24.—The London Times confirms the receipt of a message by wireless telegraphy from Marconi at Cape Breton, N. S. The text of the wireless message from the transmitted from Glace Bay, N. S., to

Polhu, Cornwall, is as follows: "Being present at its transmission in Signor Marconi's Canadian station, have the honor to send, through the Times, the inventor's first wireless trans-Atlantic message of greeting to England and Italy."

## Exchanged Compliments.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 24.-The following message, received by Lord Minto, Governor-General of Canada, from Marconi today, shows that wireless trans-Atlantic telegraphy is a suc-

"Grace Bay, N. S., Dec. 24, 1902.— His Excellency, the Governor-General, Government House, Ottawa: Have the honor to inform Your Excellency that your message has been transmitted by me from Cape Breton to Cornwall by wireless telegraphy, and has been forwarded to destination

"MARCONL" Lord Minto telegraphed Marconi as follows:

"Delighted at your message, just

received. Warmest congratulations on your splendid success. "MINTO." and Sir Richard Cartwright, Acting Premier, has cabled to England, congratulating the British people on the new method of communication be-

## tween two countries.

### WARSHIPS' FURNITURE. American Navy to Be Fitted Throughout

With Fireproof Furnishings. New York, Dec. 24.-Steel furniure, made in the Brooklyn Navyyard, will be used on the new chuiser Baltimore. The furniture of the state rooms, crews' quarters, the commander's office, and even of the show-room, will be of steel. Several months of experimenting on the part of Naval Constructor Capps and his assistant, Constructor Nutting, has leveloped the fact that almost all the essential furniture of a man-of-war

can be made of steel. Serious damage was done during the war with Spain by furniture on the ships taking fire. The Baltimore in the battle of Manila Bay was serlously damaged by such a fire The equipment of the Baltimore with the new furniture will cost \$30. 000. The old wooden furniture, hand-

some and elaborate in design and fin-

sh, did not cost more than one-third

of that amount. All the ships of the

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#### TRANSPORT CONTRACTS. Portland Gets a Share, but Bulk of Bus-

iness Goes to Seattle. Washington, Dec. 23.—The fight over Government transportation business to and from the Philippines is closed. President Wlasor, of the Boston Steamship Company, waived the condition in his bid that his line should receive three-fourths of Government business, and agreed to take such shipments at his contract rate as the department sees fit to divert to Seattle and Tacoma. Secretary Root, under these circumstances accepts the Puget Sound bid, and from now until June 30 next all shipments of troops and supplies made from Seattle or Tacoma will go by the Boston Steamship line. Under the Boston Steamship line. the adjustment made today, Portland's status is unchanged. Whenever hay, oats, lumber or other supplies are purchased tributary to Portland, they will be shipped from that port on vessels chartered for the trip, as heretofore. Portland trade will not be monopolized by the Sound, but will depend altogether upon the relative bids at Portland, the Sound and San Francisco.

## Citizens Kill Highwayman.

Ardmore, I, T., Dec. 24.-Two highessages coming from Venezuela to tacked by a posse of citizens as they Coney Island, thereby wiping out the this port are subjected to censorship, rode into the town of Provence, in the Chickasaw Nation last night, and an exchange of shots followed. The New York, Dec. 23 .- United States horse was shot from under one of the Commissioner Benedict has ordered men, George Slocum, and finally he Cape Ann today. As timed from the ed by many prominent residents Commissioner Benedict has ordered men, George Stocum, and many he shore, the Nevada covered 26 miles in of Brooklyn and officials the the deportation of 12 Chinamen who was shot and captured. The second