

Four years have passed away since that October night. I am now eighteen. Messrs. Fogle and Quick; but I found I am the last one left of Mr. Porter's them stiff-necked men, of hard and unreold pupils; they have all been "bagged" generate hearts. Two years ago I wrote some grim custodian, and carried off to say that, as you had passed be; ond

pocket money has ever been given me; employment. Why don't you say some-neither would the Rev. Mr. Porter hear thing, Silas?" he cried, striking the taof such a book being brought into his house. Every image of that one break In my monotonous existence is indelibly sir?' I stammered. fixed upon my memory; and I can never disassociate that mysterious child that I met under the old Norman gateway with the Juliet of the play. What a strange memory she has left upon my brain; she is ever with me in my dreams. Shall I ever see her again? I am ever asking myself. Yes; I feel assured I shall. I feel that she is in some way interwoven with my destiny.

We never saw Josiah Cook again, but I heard that he had gone away with the you knew anything about it." theatrical company, who left the town shortly after the time that marked my adventure. The Rev. Obadiah Porter, of course, at once settled his eternal prospects by condemning him to the bottom-

During my boylah days the post of servant was occupied by a very cross old woman; but a twelvemonth previous to young woman of about twenty years of room I was consigned to the kitchen, and helped in the household work. Martha and I soon became fast friends. She used to say that had it not been for me she would not have remained a month in the house. In the winter evenings, after she had finished her work, when Mr. Porter did not require our presence at Little Bethlehem, or at religious exercises, we used to sit by the fire and talk. She had but little education; but her shrewd mind was a better tutor for me at that time than would have been a more learned, sedentary companion.

The second person of whom I must speak conjures up a very different set of lounges. I remember the first time I saw him was the very evening after my memorable escapade. We were at prayers; there was a loud, imperious knock at the street door. The Rev. Mr. Porter paused and signed to the servant to answer

The next moment there entered the parlor a tall, elegantly dresse which was greatly enhanced by a full. glossy black beard, black curling hair, strange shudders, at which the superstitions cry out that some one is walking over their grave, ran through me as looked up at him. He stood in the doorway, and cast upon the group a glance of infinite scorn.

"When you have finished your devotions," he said, with a sneer, addressing my tutor, "I have something to say to

The Rev. Obadiah Porter colored, hesttated for a moment, and then rising, the kitchen. said, with his devotional whine, "We will ask a blessing upon all here, and pray no more to-night.

With an exclamation of contemptuou impatience, the stranger threw himself upon the sofa, his head still covered. We were quickly hustled out of the room, and the tutor and his daughter were left alone with their irreverent visitor.

More than a twelvemonth passed away before he came again to the house Theu, little by little, he became a frequent visitor. Miss Judith and he were very frequently together. I used often see them stroll down the road arm in arm: and by and by I began to ob serve how anxiously she watched for his coming. Martha soon comprehended how matters stood.

"I don't like that Mr. Rodwell," she used to say; "and if Judith wasn't quite so high in her manner I should take the liberty of telling her so." One evening I was summoned from the

kitchen to attend Mr. Porter in his When I entered the room he bade me shut the door, and take a seat. I obeyed him, wondering what was com-

"Silas," he began, fixing his small. sharp eyes upon me, and brushing back the rebellious hair from his low fore head, "can you remember anything of your life previous to the time that Providence entrusted you to my keeping? Don't hatch a lie," he said, sharply; "re-

member the fate of Ananias." "Indeed, sir, I have no such thought," I answered meekly. "Remember how young I must have been when I first

came to you, and-"Don't beat about the bush," he cried, yet more sharply. "You are concealing something: you can't deceive me." Then suddenly changing his tone to his usual one of shuffling hypocrisy, he added: "Sidas, I am asking these questions for your good-for the sake of those carnal in-

are sojourners in this world of sin." He leaned forward with his arms upon the table, and fixing his snake-like eyes tupon me, as though to read my very soul, he began in a low voice: "I will a boding presentiment of evil. tell you all I know; perhaps that will help your memory. Thirteen years ago, a middle-aged woman, looking like a gentleman's housekeeper, or something of for taking charge of a child of five years old. She had seen my advertisement, and thought it would suit the purpose she had in view. She was most particular in her injunctions that you should be reared strictly and religiously. Two days afterwards she brought you She gave the name of Carston, and said that you were to be called drawn half-yearly, of Messrs. Fogle and tried as discreetly as possible to glean

The money has always been paid regularly to the day. Once I called upon

I know not whither. Others have taken the school boy age, I wished for further their places, but I am still left. I am justructions. About a week after, I got melancholy, moody and dreamy. My a short note, saying that you were still reading is limited to a few semi-religious to remain with me; but as they desired books. How ardently I long for a copy that you should not contract idle habits. of Shakspeare, but not one penny of I was to give you some sort of useful

"What-what do you want me to say,

ble sharply with his fist.

"The truth-what you know." "I don't know anything-indeed, I do

There was a savage look about him, as though he would have liked to have squeezed something more out of my throat. Then he took out of a desk beside him a small gold locket, and passed it to me, saying. "This was sewn up here. I don't think she who brought

It contained the portrait of a very beautiful young woman—a foreigner, I should have imagined; dark hair, olivetinged complexion, also a tock of brown hair; and upon the back was engraved the initials "F. B." and "E. M." joined together by a true lovers' knot.

"The woman who brought you here," he went on, "was tall; and big-boned; the period at which I have arrived, she thin, white lips; a nose like a parrot's left, and her place was taken by a beak; light gray eyes, as cold as stone. woman of about twenty years of She wore a front of dark brown hair. When I ceased to attend the school dressed in small flat curls, and bound round the forehead by a band of narrow black velvet; she was dressed in black silk, and wore a muslin handkerchief crossed upon her bosom."

> While he spoke, a veil seemed lifted from my memory; the woman seemed to stand before me. I had trembled before those cold, stony eyes. That portrait, too-my heart told me it was my mother's, and a shadowy remembrance came upon me that I had been at some time fondled by such a face.

The Rev. Obadiah Porter was evident ly disappointed at the result of his revelations. He snatched the locket out of my hand, and then locked it up in the desk again.

"Well, well, if you can't remember you can't," he said, irritably. "Bu when you are alone, or in bed, try and Who knows?-you might be the think. child of some great or rich people," he added, cunningly. "Think what an advantage it would be if you could find this out! But we won't talk any more of this at present. I have something else to speak to you about. Silas, it has much troubled me, for some time, to see a youth of your appearance and probable prospects doing menial work. I've long been thinking whether I couldn't more profitably employ you; and, after a talk with my daughter, I've come to the nclusion that you shall, henceforth.

assist her in the care of the boys." My duties as tutor were to commence on the next day. I really felt very grateto him for what appeared, to my unsophisticated mind, a great kindness; and so I told Martha when I went back to

"Well, I don't know about being grateful, Silas," she cried. "Depend upon it, master's serving his own turn. Miss Judith's getting very tired of the work and if she was to go away, what would he do? It wouldn't suit him to have a stranger in the house. Now don't you see that he couldn't do without youthat you're the very thing he wants?'

Martha's worldly view of the matter somewhat dashed my exalted feelings of gratitude; yet, for all that, I still felt very thankful for the change.

CHAPTER IV.

In less than a week I found myself sole tutor to the Rev. Obadiah Porter's pupils. Martha was right; Miss Judith had grown tired of the work, and, seizing the opportunity of my initiation, renquished it altogether. I now dined in the parlor, but took the rest of my meals in the kitchen, where I also spent my evenings. By and by Martha called my attention to a great alteration that had taken place in her mistress. There was a worn, anxious look in her face; and she seldom quitted her own room. Then we began to notice that Mr. Rodwell's visits grew more infrequent, and at last ceased altogether.

One day Mr. Porter informed me that he was going to London for a few days. Such an event had never happened in my memory; it was to me the climax of all the changes.

"To you, Silas," he said, "I commit the care of the precious lambs of my fold, and you must also give an eye to household affairs, as my daughter's health is not strong at present. It is a great trust, but you will prove worthy of it. You are almost like a son to me,

He paused upon the last words like one struck with a sudden idea, and while he stood gazing at me, a strange look stole across his face. For the first time ni his life he took my hand; his clasp was cold and clammy; he meant to be kind and caressing, but I had never felt so repelled against him. I shuddered, with

While he was away Miss Judith took all her meals in her own room. Thus the house was almost entirely under the care of myself and Martha.

On the fifth day after his departure at 5 in the evening, Mr. Porter returned. I was in the front garden. Now this ground was kept sacred to him and his daughter, but having a great love of flowers, and having acquired some knowledge of gardening, I had of late been privileged to tend the beds, and prune the shrubs of this exclusive spot. I had no desire to presume upon this privilege, as I greatly preferred the more extensive grounds that lay at the back Quirk, solicitors. For the sake of the which were free to all. A wall of about precious soul entrusted to my keeping, I ten feet in height separated this garden from the road. When I saw Mr. Porter a little more information; but she was come through the gate, I was busily emvery close, and awfully stern, and I ployed in cutting away the dead bloscould not get even an address out of her. soms from a very fine rhododendron bush

dows. Although I was in full sight, he did not perceive me. The bush_stood between me and the window, which was wide open, and entirely concerted. from any one who might be within. I heard my master euter the room, and a minute afterwards he was joined by his daughter, whom I heard eagerly ask him, What he had done-had he been suc-

"He has gone to Paris," was the reply, in a harsh tone.

"Gone to Paris! Oh, what will beme of me-what will become of me? I heard Judith cry, in a tone of despair 'I loved him very dearly! But he can t, he will not, he shall not desert me!" "But he has done it. His last letter was quite enough. And now he's gone off to Paris, to get out of the way of

our reproaches." "But if he went to the world's end he should not get beyond the reach of my revenge!" she cried, excitedly. "But how do you know he's gone? Who told striking German coal miners. you so? Perhaps you have been purposely deceived?"

"Not such a fool. They'll have to get up betimes to deceive me! In the first ama rallroad. place, I never made any inquiries myself; a friend that they couldn't suspect did that for me. He left ten days ago."
"What shall I do-what shall I do?"

"And what shall I do?" he cried, in a savage tone. And I heard him smash his fist down upon the table, and could almost fancy I heard the grinding of his "But in the meanwhile we must think of the present time. We are in snug quarters here, and I don't feel inclined to give them up. Remember, if I lost my chapel, I should lose the boys, too; for although their friends would receive the tidings of their deaths with the utmost satisfaction, yet their consciences and their sense of duty would be troubled by the thought that the unhappy little wretches were under a master of lax morality. With such people, you idea came into my head, which a chance circumstance has since strengthened. It all depends upon you whether you'll act

He paused, as though expecting an answer; but none came. After a moment, he resumed, in a somewhat hesitating "You'll stare when I tell you what it is; but for your own peace of mind, as well as mine, you must be married." "Married to whom?" she asked, drear-

Suppose I were to tell you that I had a husband in my eye? What do you say to Silas Carston?"

I could scarcely repress the cry that election frauds. rose to my lips at the sound of my name so strangely associated. "What!" she cried, impetuously, "I

"He would make a very good hus-"

scornfully.

"Listen to me. Worm as he is, it may Appropriations, though small, will of the Northern district of Florida. be a better match than you suspect. I be maed for the Columbia jetty and thought I would call upon Fogle and channel, and Fulton has joined in the Quick. In the first place, to endeavor fight for the Celilo canal. door, who should I see coming out but the identical old woman that brought the boy here. There was no mistaking her; she seemed to have on the very same Minister Griscom that it will be dress that she wore thirteen years ago; pleased to permit General MacArthur 'Here's my chance,' I thought; 'I don't lose sight of you till you're earthed.' So, instead of calling upon in session at Denver. the lawyers, I followed the old woman

at a respectful distance." At this point of the dialogue, to me the most interesting, I lost the thread. Two pleasure vans, full of peaople who had been out holiday keeping for the day, were returning to the town; the laughing, in a most vociferous strain. To Baltic squadron. make the matter worse, just as they got beyond the house, a delay of some kind occurred; either something was wrong with the carriages or the horses. Whatever it might have been, it detained them for two or three minutes, during which the bawling and shouting continued so loudly that I could not catch a word that was spoken in the parlor. When at last the noisy crew drove away the revelation that I so eagerly desired

to hear had passed. "May be he would not have me," were the first words that fell upon my ears. "How could he help himself, if I were determined upon it? Besides, you cou oon make him a puppet in your hands."

"Don't let us talk any more now. "Very well. And here comes Martha

with the dinner." And so the conversation ended. I heard Martha come and close the winlow, and draw down the blind-and then round to the back garden. For a time road rate law and navy appropriation could not go into the house; every bill, serve was trembling. I felt like one surrounded by a circle of fire-the victim of some foul plot, the exact nature of which I could not understand, but from which I could perceive no escape.

(To be continued.)

Cost of Running a Creamery. The total cost of running a creamery and marketing the product, including interest on the investment and provision for a sinking fund, ought not to exceed 31/2 cents for every pound of butter made. Under favorable condi- tered to Governor Douglas, of Massations this cost ought to be reduced to chusetts. 3 or even as low as 11/2 cents. The smallest practical creamery cannot be operated for less than \$4 or \$5 per day. It becomes evident then that the dally product should be over 150 pounds as a safe minimum. Consequently no creamery should be put into Kurokatpin was marching south to re-University of Illinois, in Orange Judd surrender. Farmer.

The bodies of men who have perished in sandy deserts become so thoroughly dried by the sun and wind as tion of Governor Folk, of Missouri. to be reduced to 30 per cent of their On invitation he addressed the legisweight in life.

The light of the firefly is produced by some combination of phosphorus, though in what manner has not yet been determined.

next four years. He who desires is always poor .-

KLAMATH FALLS, KLAMATH COUNTY, OREGON, JANUARY 19, 1905.

In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

Riots are breaking out among the

Secretary Taft recommends annuling the Pacific mail contract with the Pan-

The president recommends the reduction in number of Panama canal commissioners to three members. It has developed that Port Arthur

had provisions for two months and dissensions caused the surrender. The president has appointed Vespa-

Ware as pension commissioner. Utah politicians say polygamy is op-

posed by young Mormons and will die house. of itself if given an opportunity. Bristow has resigned as fourth assist-

ant postmaster general and the president has designated him as a special commissioner to make an investigation know, everything is doing the proper; into the present trade conditions and they don't care for the humane. Now freight rates between the Atlantic and the very day I started for the city an Pacific coasts, and between the west coast of South America and the east coast of the United States and of Europe and to determine the best policy of manageing the Panama railroad

A naval battle in the Indian ocean is

The miners' strike in Germany is

ate to restore the army canteen.

The Colorado legislature has expelled two senators in connection with the

Russia has entered a protest to the powers, claiming that Japan is organmarry that puny, contemptible, sneaking izing Chinese troops against her.

Oyama has received a large number. of reinforcements and Kuropatkin will partment of commerce. "A very meek one, no doubt," she said make a supreme effort to crush him before more arrive.

others injured, two fatally. The Japanes war office has notified

The National Livestock association is

will be able to be out shortly.

Japanese cruisers await the Russian fleet in the Indian ocean off Borneo., Seven more vessels have arrived at Sixteen degrees below zero has been

Mississippi valley.

she was at Port Arthur. While removing mines in Port Arthur harbor, one was accidentally dis- secret and will hear the witnesses in

charged, killing 20 Japanese. T. C. Powell, of Portland, has been

Nome, Alaska, by the president. Russian troops are losing confidence

in Kuropatkin. There is constant secret upon their final report. bickering among the officers at the Manchurian headquarters.

President Roosevelt will call an extra session of congress to revise the crept from my hiding place, and got tariff and calls on congress to pass rail-

Edward Wallace Hock is now governor of Kansas.

A great socialist conspiracy has been discovered in Russia.

Charles S. Deneen has been inaugurated governor of Illinois. The president urges improvement of

The oath of office has been adminis-

Govenror Peabody announces that he will contest the Colorado election and unseat Adams if possible.

believe by Chinese spies that General today. It was identical in nature with are claimed by the new company, operation unless having control or a lieve him. He knew nothing about the through here in the summer. promise of about 300 cows .- Oscar Erf, retreat from Liao Yang until after his shipments of war supplies have become

month.

Witte is to succeed Mirsky as minister of the interior in Russia.

W. J. Bryan attended the inauguralature and advocated municipial ownership of public institutions. He declared that if Roosevelt is in earnest in his strength is now believed to have been desire to curb the power of railroads he will lead a strenuous life during the the army headquarters that in addition

fo the Lewis and Clark fair.

DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

Monday, January 9.

After the passage of the omnibus bill and a few minor measures and the fixing of January 28 for the delivery of addresses in memory of the late Senator Hoar, the senate devoted its time to the statehood bill. At 4:23 the senate adjourned.

The house spent the day in discussing minor matters and at 4:23 adjourned

Tuesday, January 10.

The senate today continued consideration of the joint statehood bill, the chief accomplishment being the acceptance of most of the amendments suggested by the committee on Indian affairs.

Senator Cullom reported the legislative, judicial and executive appropriation bill as amended by the senate committee on appropriations. The total carried is \$29,192,962, a net in-

The session of the house was given over almost entirely to discussion of the bill on banking and currency. "to improve currency conditions."

The impeachment charges on which Judge Charles Swayne will be tried sian Warner, of Illinois, to succeed were presented just before adjournment and notice given that on Thursday they would be called up for action in the-

Wednesday, January II.

The attention of the senate today was government regulation of railroads. All amendments to the statehood bill ex- by the opposing factions looking toward gation from this county, will seek to ept one were agreed to.

In the house the army appropriation bill received consideration. The expenses of the army and navy were severely criticized by several members. Attention was called to the large retired list of officers, which includes 236 brigadier generals. An effot was made can vote, electing him. Adjournment to reduce the pay of retired officers was then taken and the Republicans above the rank of major when assigned went into caucus to select clerks. to duty with the militia of the several chusetts.

Thursday, January 12.

The legislative, executive and judisenate and there was considerable dis- offered. of foreign trade conditions by the de-

The house devoted it sentire session

Friday, Jan. 13. Further consideration was given in eration of his age; and in the second Two Santa Fe trains collided head on the house today of the impeachment place, to try and glean a little informa- near Las Vegas, New Mexico, and three charges against Judge Swayne. There Just as 1 got within sight of the persons were killed and a number of was a noticeable lack of interest in the bills were introduced as a starter. The defense charged that the whole thing

was a case of private vengeance. The house concurred in the senate and as to her face, it is one of those iron to accompany the army of Japan in amendments to the Philippine government bill and sent the bill to confer-

The senate today passed the legislative, executive and judicial appropria-Mark Twain is much improved and tion bill and also a number of private

pension bills.

Hear Evidence in Public. Paris, Jan. 14 .- The text of the procedure of the international commission for the protection of forests against fire; occupants were singing, shouting and the Suez canal on the way to join the appointed to inquire into the North sea for new irrigation code; fixing riparianincident was given out today. It reguirights on the Columpia, and amending lates the hearing of witnesses and vari-

> points are as follows: The official language of the commis-Russia intends to be better prepared sion will be French. Witnesses testitheir testimony translated into French. berlain's message. The commissioners will deliberate in

The British claims will be first presented and the Russian reply will folappointed United States marshal at low. Counsel for both sides will pre-

sent final arguments. The commissioners will deliberate in The closing session of the commis-

sion, which will publish the result, will be public. Bids for Armor Plate Opened.

pened today at the Navy Department for 7,828 tons of armor plate for the battleship New Hampshire and the ar-Carolina. The aggregate bid of the marriage license fee to \$5. Carnegie and Bethlehem companies was identical, \$3,204,700, the first delivery to be made in six months. The lowest bidder was the Midvale Steel company, legislature to the need of a state tax | of Philadelphia, whose aggregate bid the army medical and ordnance service. was \$31,28,781, delivery to begin August 15, at the rate of 500 tons a

More Submarines for Japan.

Minneapolis, Jan. 14.-Another consignment of submarine torpedo boats working hard to keep the new one from was handed from the Burlington road getting a start, but more than 20 to the Great Northern railroad at Hamline and rushed onward to the coast the shipment of boats which passed among which are large exchanges and so numerous as to excite little attention urban Telephone company. at the transfer station. They consist of ammunition, guns, beef and medicines.

Stoessel Had 50,000 Men.

Tokio, Jan. 14. - The Japanese achievement at Port Arthur is more an exhibit at the Lewis and Clark exremarkable in the light of further investigation. The original Russian appropriate \$2,000 toward the expenses. almost 50,000 men. It is announced at ually be brought to Japan.

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

LEGISLATURE MEETS.

Oregon Lawmakers Now in Session at Salem.

Salem, Jan. 10. - The senate was called to order by Brownell, of Clackamas, who was president of the senate at the session of 1903. He was made temporary president and a committee n credentials appointed. The senate

then adjourned until 2 p. m. At the afternoon session the commitcally the same for 39 ballots, when, at 4:30, the senate adjourned until 7:30.

with no change except as the Democrats shifted their votes from one to another. Adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

The house is organized and ready for business. Mills, of Multnomah was elected speaker over Kay of Marion, the ballot standing 26 to 24.

Salem, Jan. 10. - Nine ballots were

taken in the senate for president this morning without material change. At divided by the statehood question and 11:30 adjournment was taken until 2 p. m. Negotiations were commenced journment was taken until 4 o'clock. At that time negotiations were not complete and a further recess was taken until 5. At that hour the senators took their seats and the first roll call gave Kuykendall the entire Republi- Judge Ryan.

The house was called to order by

nounced the committees. parts of Crook and Wasco counties; restrictions as to the use of automobiles fixing salaries of state officers, and a on the public highways.

large number amending town charters. Salem, Jan. 11 .- This was the first ase except among a few members. The usual resolutions were offered concurring with those of the house for sundry expenses and inspecting various state institutions. Probably the most important of the bills was that by Brownell of Clackamas, providing for a constitutional convention to be held on the second Monday in September, 1905. Among the measures were: To create

a state mining bureau; to fix fees of county recorders and clerks; amending act of 1903, and to regulate use of water from Oregon streams. In the house legislation was asked

general school laws. Altogether 25 recorded on the Great lakes and in the ous other details. The most important bills were introduced in the house to

> Salem, Jan. 12. - Governor Chamberlain read his biennial message to the legislature today, before the two

houses in joint assembly. Eighteen new bills were introduced in the senate and 19 in the house. Among those of the senate were: Making eight hours a day's work; to provide corporal punishment for wifebeaters; authorizing employes to bring action against either the employer or the Echo irrigation project during the

from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Among the house bills were: ate state tax commission; for girls' anmored cruisers Montana and North nex to state reform school; to raise project has been transferred to the

After calling attention to the general prosperity of the state, the governor in his message called the attention of the

New Phone Line in Field.

Silverton-An independent telephone company has been formed to connect Silverton with the adjoining towns. P. L. Brown is the company's local Captain E. B. Burns and a Seattle company, and the first time fish frozen on representative. The old company is phones have already been subscribed for in Silverton. Many advantages free service between towns. The new company will be known as the Inter-

Tillamook at Exposition.

Tillamook-There was a public meeting at the opera house a few days ago to take into consideration the matter of position, and to ask the county court to County Judge W. W. Conder presided. The sentiment of the meeting was in favor of a county exhibit, and the moto the prisoners already reported, about tion to ask for \$2,000 carried. Judge Missouri may appropriate \$200,000 13,000 wounded combatants will event- Conder was authorized to appoint a Oregon, 10@17c; mohair, 25@26c per committee to take charge.

acres of land in the state on which no taxes are being paid; recommends taxation of franchises for state purposes; improvement of schools in rural districts; favors single board for normal schools; more money for state game warden; an appropriation for enforcement of child labor law; further improvement of roads by convict labor; reduction of expenses of state printing office; placing state officers on fixed salaries; a juvenile court. He dealt at tee on credentials reported and the length on the proper protection against new members were sworn in. A mo- forest fires; gave much praise to those tion that the senate proceed to elect a who worked for the right of way for president was carried. Kuykendall, the portage road and asked that the Miller and Carter were nominated. On United States government be appealed the first ballot the vote stood Kuyken- to to purchase the canal and locks at dall 14, Carter 9, Miller 4, Pierce 1, Willamette falls. He favors whatever crease of \$434,772 over the amount apgovernment in the reclamation of arid lands and closed with the hope that the In the evening 16 ballots were taken legislature would see the advisability of an early adjournment and not to put off the to last the passage of important

> Both branches of the legislature adjourned until Monday.

MORE CONTROL OVER ROADS

Purpose of Law Proposed by Vari-County Courts of State.

Oregon City-"The Clackamas county court, through the legislative delea final settlement, and at 3 o'clock ad- have enacted at the present session of the legislature laws that will prove of material aid to the various county courts of the state in the building and repairing of roads," remarked County

"I have great faith in the eminent domain theory which is being indorsed by the different counties of the state." states. This was aimed at General Chief Clek Thompson, Speaker Mills continued the Clackamas county judge. A bill will be introduced in the sen- Miles as secretary general of Massa- being absent. Bailey of Multnomah "The enacting of such a law will give was elected speaker pro tem. The to the county court of each county the usual resolutions for supplies of stamps, right to condemn property for the escodes and inspection of state offices and tablishment of a new road, or the apinstitutions, for printing the calendar propriation of additional property forcial bills were read at length in the and for obtaining newspapers were the improvement of roads already established, the rights conferred being cussion of the civil service question and the provision for an investigation the first time. They will be referred railroad corporations." It is also the after Speaker Mills shall have an purpose of the Clackamas county court to have passed a law regulating the use Among the bills introduced were: To to which all roads shall be placed in to the discussion of impeachment charges against Judge Charles Swayne, States; to create Jefferson county from another measure that will place some

> Douglas Men Demand Good Roads. Roseburg-A delegation of representativ men from a majority of the road districts in Douglas county called upon the county court in a body and presented their petition and resolutions asking that the court take the necessary steps to provide this county with three set of modern roadbuilding machinery, including that number of rock crushers. rollers, engines, etc. Enthusiastic good roads arguments were presented. and the matter was then taken under

large amount of good road building will be done in this county this year.

Gets Lower Rates Dallas-A promise from the board of underwriters at San Francisco that it will immediately make a new rating for Dallas patrons, and allow rebates convention tomorrow at 11 o'clock to on the old premiums dating from the for a siege against Vladivostok than fying in other languages will have listen to the reading of Governor Chamlast June, has caused the Dallas council to suspend for two weeks its purpose of charging all insurance companies doing business here a license fee. The license ordinance resulted from a failure of the companies to make a reduc-

> water works should be completed. Surveying Ended for Season. Pendleton-The last surveying party, which has been making further tests in

> tion in rates promised when the new

To Freeze Rogue River Fish. Astoria - The schooner Chetco has gone to Rogue river fitted with a cold storage plant of a capacity of 225 tons. to collect Chinook salmon for German shipment for delivery frozen. This is the first of a fleet being equipped by

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat - Walla Walla, 85c; bluestem, 88@90c; valley, 87c. Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.0c. @2.35; gray, \$1.35@1.40 per cental. Hay-Timothy, \$14@16 per ton; clover, \$11@12; grain, \$11@12; cheat,

Potatoes - Oregon fancy, 75@85c: common, 60@65g Apples-Baldwin bergs, \$1.75@2 per box.

Hops-Choice, 29@30a; prime, 27 Wool - Valley, 19@20c; East

advisement by the court. It is believed, however, that the court will act favorably upon the matter and that a

an insurance company insuring the past year, suspended work January 1 employer against loss, and to raise the and came in. This ends the work this Washington, Jan. 14. - Bids were limit of damages for taking human life season. Engineer John T. Whistler says work may be resumed again in the spring. The party which has been conducting the drilling in the Malheur Washtuena district and is making tests of the reservoir sites.

> leaving water will be delivered fresh to European breakfast tables.

\$12@18.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 200300. Butter—Fancy oremany, 20027

28c per pound.