GRAND LODGE ELECTIONS

Three Citizens of Salem Chosen for Positions of can improve on that. Honor by the A. O. U. W.

Frank Davey Is Grand Overseer, S. A. McFadden Supreme Representative, and Wm. Armstrong Grand Trustee---A Successful Meeting.

(From Tally Stafesman, July 19.) United Workmen and Degree of Honor, of Oregon, jut in a hard lay's work near finished, as to warrant the prediction that adjournment will be effected at an early hour this afternoon. Much legislation was passed, officers were elected for the ensuing year, and the way paved for a thorough organization for work in the interest of the order in this state.

Protection Lodge No. 2, of this city, had offered a cash prize of \$100, to be given to the best drilled Workmen degree team, the exemplification to be had in the Supreme Court room last evening, before the Grand Lodge, and It was expected that several teams teams appeared to compete for this liberal prize, and, to the great regret of the local Workmen, who had counted on keen competition on this occa- perity. sion, the money remains in the treasury. The team of Protection Lodge, it was decided several months ago, was not to compete, so as to give all visiting lodges an equal chance.

At 8 o'clock last evening the Grand Lodge, Degree of Honor, visited Salem Lodge No. 19, in the State Insurance building, where an exemplification of Woman Cured of Appendicitis by the work was shown, and an enterminment of rare excellence had been provided for the visitors, concluding with a banquet to the visitors by the local members. The two entertainments were much enjoyed by the

GRAND LODGE A. O. U. W. The Grand Lodge A. O. U. W. spent the day in considering resolutions and proposed changes of laws, and elected officers for the ensuing year, while the matter of selecting a place of meeting was made a special order for o'clock this morning It is probable that Portland will be selected, though Dr. Upson noted a remarkable change honor. During the day, Wm. Reeder, not account for it and made an examone of the trustees of the Grand Lodge who had one more year to serve, re-

signed, and his successor was elected

later in the day. The officers elected were as follows: Grand Master Workman, Ralph W. Feeney, of Portland: Grand Foreman. C. C. Hogue, Albany; Grand Overseer, Frank Davey, Salem; Grand Recorder. Newton Clark, Portland (re-elected); Grand Receiver, R. L. Durham, Portland (re-elected); Grand Guide, C. H. Dye, Oregon City; Inside Watchman.

E. Mellinger, Dayton; Outside Watchman, Wm. J. Clarke, Gervais, Grand Trustees-Wm. Armstrong, Salem. 3 years; J. P. Dodge, Ashland. 1 year. Supreme Representatives—D. C. Herrin, Portland; S. A. McFadden, Salem; Ed. Werlein, Portland. The matter of making a contract for

the publication of the official organ, the lowest acceptable bidder, he to be a member of the order.

A proposition to divide the state into districts for organization and extension work was lost, and the matter referred to a committee consisting of the Grand Master Workman, the Grand Receiver and the Finance Committee, with power to act in the matter of extension work.

The committee on state of the order brought in a report, commending the excellent work of the retiring Grand Master, D. C. Herrin, in the matter of extending the order, and recommended the continuance, in the field, of men of that character and ability. The report was adopted.

The claim of Mrs. Joseph Fishburn, of Craig, Arizona, for \$2000 on the life of Joseph Fishburn, a deceased member of the Oregon jurisdiction. was referred to the Finance Committee, with authority to demand proofs of the claimant's marriage to the deceased, and, in case her interest could not be established, to pay the amount of the policy to the legal heirs.

Minor changes in the laws were proposed and will be acted upon this

During the afternoon Supreme Mas ter Workman W. A. Walker, of Mil-waukee, Wisconsin, was called home, and before leaving he made a stirring address to the Grand Lodge, whereupon three cheers were given for the Supreme lodge and for Mr. Walker. This gentleman, one of the most eminent fraternal order men in the United States, has done much to enthuse the the things for which we strove were Oregon Workmen, and his visit will long be remembered by the members of the Grand Lodge. At 6 p. m. the Grand Lodge adjourned to 9 a. m. to-

DEGREE OF HONOR.

The second day's session of the pursue in this life is happiness, and Grand Lodge of the Degree of Honor we teach our children that their hapconvened with the full membership piness can only be secured by the per-present. A number of resolutions formance of duty, by the observance were introduced and will be acted up- of moral and business obligations, and on before adjournment today. A resolution was passed, ordering the incorcie of equally happy friends and relatives. der the state laws of Oregon.

The executive committee, composed of the Grand Chief of Honor, the his greatest happiness in sharing his grand Recorder and the finance com-

shing the order. At 10 o'clock the election of officers, eing a special order of business, was egun, and this part of the work pass-

no great competition, and the officers The Grand Lodges, Ancient Order were nearly all promoted or re-elected. The following are the officers chosen: our harbors, our land, our towns. Past Grand Chief, Miss Maggie Bark-

er. Albany; Grand Chief of Honor, yesterday and their business was so Mrs. Offie F. Stephens. The Dalles; Grand Recorder, Mrs. Margaret Her-Minnie Mason, Dallas; Grand Usher, Inside Watchman, Mrs. Hattie Mc-Cormac, Marshfield. Superior Repre- "Consider your missionaries. They sentatives-Miss Maggie A. Barker,

Grand Master W. D. Hare visited the suffer eternal punishment. ing and advising the members in several important matters. The Supreme would appear, thus furnishing enter- Master Workman said he had not met tainment for the Grand Lodge, but no with any Grand Lodge of the D. of H. in which the order was so well represented and the work so systematically

broadening its membership limits, was pertinence—an outrage. approved, and a number of minor resolutions were passed. The Grand that we are not soldiers. Well, we adjourned at 5 p. m. to 9 o'clock this morning, and will probably complete have become civilized. War is a is work by noon today.

GOOD AS A SURGEON'S KNIFE.

Severe Jolting in a Wagon.

Cleveland's rough pavements have proved better than the skill of a surgeon in a certain case. Mrs. O. P. Clay was a victim of appendicitis. During the early stages of her illness it was hoped that she might be spared from the operating table. Her condition became more serious with time and her attending physician, Dr. Geo. D. Upson, finally concluded that an operation would be necessary.

The patient was made as comfortataken to a hospital. On arriving there only too well. Let the white races of Astoria is an active candidate for this of some kind in his patient. He could and not they are its masters. ination. Then Dr. Upson announced Clay, he said, would soon be perfectly well. The joiting the patient had received in being moved to the hospital appendix.

THE OPINIONS

Of a Distinguished Chinaman Relative to the Troubles in His Native Country.

There is living in London, Eng.,-in fact, he holds a high position in a firm of eastern merchants—a Chinese gen- is clear. was referred to a committee, to secure tleman who has for many years bebids, the publication to be awarded to longed to the Boxers' secret society in sentence. Let us alone, and we will China, and with whom a representa- let you alone." tive of the Buffalo Express has had a most interesting interview.

"You English," he observed, speaking our language with remarkable fluency, "only look at Chinese matters days. from your own point of view. Ah! if you could only look at them from fins. ours!

"Western civilization is to us mere mushroom. It is a thing of yes terday. Chinese civilization is unnumbered thousands of years old. We consider ourselves at least 2,000 years ahead of you.

"There was a time when we had, like you, our 'struggle for life.' our race for wealth, our ambition for power, our haste and hurry and worry. We, too, had your clever inventionsgunpowder, printing and the rest-but we have lived long enough to find out how essentially unnecessary all these things are.

"We have also had our periods doubt, fanaticism, and dissension matters of religion. We have had our martyrs, our reformations, our nonconformists, our intolerance, and finally, our toleration. Yes, thousands

"But, as I say, we have outgrown it all. From the experience of past centuries we have learned wisdom; from the mistakes and disasters of our ancestors we have learned that none of really worth striving for.

"Our passions and ambitions have settled down into a calm desire for happiness in this world; our religion is reduced to a philosophy of life which the test of the last 2,000 years has proved to be absolutely sound.

'We believe that the best thing

"If a Chinaman prospers beyond the lot which falls to his kindred, he finds was given full power to act in we never cease to work. There is no appointing deputies for field work such thing as 'retiring from business.' Work is part of our pleasure, because

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same level, uniform spirit of content. "You may think we live fives of ignorance and squalor and idleness, but I assure you it is not so. We are as well off as we want to be, and no man

"Now, these being our circumstances you of the western world come to us with what you call your new ideas. You bring us your religion, an infant of 1900 years. You invite us to build railways so that we may fly from place to place at a speed which for us has neither necessity nor charm. You want to build mills and factories so and hues which we have evolved after ages of experiment.

"Against all this we protest, .: We want to be free to enjoy our beautiful country, and the fruits of our centuries of experience. When we ask you to go away you refuse, and you even threaten us if we do not give you

"And now, having carefully consid ered the matter, we of the so-called Boxers' society, have decided that the Grand Lady of Honor, Mrs. Wilda Bel- only way to get rid of you is to kill knap, Prineville; Grand Chief of Cere- you. We are not naturally bloodmonies, Mrs. Laura Smith, Baker City; thirsty. We certainly are not thieves. But when persuasion and argument rin, Portland; Grand Receiver, Mrs. and appeals to your sense of justice are of no avail, we find ourselves face Mrs. Anna Colvig, Jacksonville; Grand to face with the fact that the only "Consider your missionaries. They

come, as I have said, with a new Albany; Mrs. Mamie Briggs, The ligion, upon the main principles of Dalles; Mrs. Maggie Houston, Junction which they are bitterly divided among themselves. They tell us that unless Supreme Master Workman and Past we accept their doctrines we shall Grand Lodge during the afternoon, frighten our children and the more and made fraternal addresses, suggest- weak-minded of our older people, and create all kinds of dissensions between families and individuals. No wonder hat we will not tolerate them:

"If we wanted your railways, and machines, we could, of course, buy them; but we do not. We have no use conducted, as he found here in Oregon, for them. We have learned to do withand wished the order continued pros. out them. Yet you say you will force us to buy them, whether we will or The action of the Supreme Lodge, in not. Is that just? I say it is an im-

> "A good deal is matte of the fact barbarism. The effect of our having arrived at our present stage of civilization is that we have increased and multiplied beyond every other race on the face of the earth. In spite of our great morality (which seems to be very shocking to you, although we recognize in it only a wise provision of mature), the Chinese race is reasing at a greater pace than any other people in the world.

"We could if we chose overwhelm the rest of mankind. That we do not do so is due to the perfection of our civilization, our philosophy, and our morals. We number 400,000,000 human beings, and who could withstand us if we chose to assert our power? Do you think we are unconscious of ble as possible in an ambulance and it? On the contrary, we understand it the earth appreciate the fact that we

"There have been twenty so-called successful Invasions of China, But what has happened? Have the into the great surprise of all, that the what has happened? Have the in-operation need not be performed. Mrs. waders dominated the Chinese? No. The conquered have absorbed their conquerors. All have became Chinese. The very Jews who have come had jarred out the obstruction of the among us have been absorbed by our race a thing which has never happened elsewhere.

"Let me repeat that all the forces which divide men in the west have practically no existence in China, Politics, religion, private ambitions, the necessity for expansion, land-hunger, gold-hunger-all these have no existence in China. You think that because the Chinaman is inert, careless and simple, he is a child. There never was a greater mistake. "He has learned the secret of being

happy. His life is placid, and nothing troubles him so long as his conscience "There you have our character in a

RARE AND CURIOUS.

Bubbles made of filtered Castile soapsuds and glycerine will last for prodigious effort, in solemn conclave, The finest shops in a Chinese city are those devoted to the sale of cof-

TWO NEW SUITS FILED.

Both Are Actions for Money and One Instance Some Real Estate Is Attached.

(From Daily Statesman, July 19.) Two new actions for money suits were yesterday instituted in Department No .1, of the Marion County Circuit court.

John Storme, of Lane county, sues J. A. McFadden and Nettie McFadden for judgment for \$188.71 with 10 per cent interest and \$25 attorneys fees. privilege to sustain their country's flag Jackson, who was left behind by promissory note for \$300 executed on in the flower of their manhood fill the ahead of Adams in 1828. William in favor of J. L. Dennis, who afterwards transferred it to the plaintiff. E. O. Potter, an attorney of Lane county, represents the plaintiff in the

The other suit is entitled Walter S. Lehman, vs. Frances Kays and A. J. Kays. Judgment is asked for \$188, with 10 per cent interest from June 29. 1899, and the costs and disbursements of the suit. The amount is alleged to be due on a promissory note issued by the defendant on June 29, 1895; and payable on October 1st of the same year, in favor of John Hughes. who subsequently transferred the note to the plaintiff. A tract of land, in- aside partisan feeling and vote along cluding 270 acres and located in t 7 s, the lines of patriotism. w., has been attached. The plaintiff's attorney is S. T. Richardson.

At Bed Time

plexion is better. My doctor it acts gently on the stomach, liver and kidneys, and is a pleasant laxa-Family Medicines moves the bowels each day. If you cannot get it, send for a free sample. Address, Orator F. Woodward, Le Roy, N. Y. 5.

MEETING OF NATIONAL LEAGUE AT ST. PAUL.

Stirring Address by President Stone Stripes.' Such men have we in the pean countries exclude the products at the Opening Session-The Party's Record.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 18.-The National League of Republican Clubs is as to debase our beautiful textures in session here, with a large attend- the highest council chambers of the ance. Col. George Stone, the presi- land has been amply proved; whose dent, in his opening address, created courageous loyalty bade them throw great enthusiasm. He said in part:

> "Gentlemen of the National Republican League: During the brief period and with the unswerving moral courof two years since last we met in Convention, many pages have been added to the history of the American Repub- the grand old party will in November they have tried to gain a foothold in lie, which so long as that Republic sweep the land for honest government, Europe," shall exist will evidence the wisdom and loyalty of the Republican party; a party knowing how to govern the country for the security, welfare and glory of its people. Inseparably connected with and forming a part of that record is the name of that wise and patriotic statesman, whom Republicans delight to honor and whom all (From the Newspaper Correspondence Americans can safely trust, President McKinley.

"We cannot soon forget the paralysis in business and industrial ruin wrought by the disastrous financial policy as exemplified under the last Democratic rule; nor should we ever forget the marvelous change that immediately followed the election of Mc-Kinley in 1896. A change that brought prosperity to the producer and laborer, to the Democrat and Republican alike. trade and commerce moved again and the world was notified that the people its credit destroyed, nor its currency made a commodity.

"The searching test of application has proved the wisdom of the position moved. taken by the Republican party on every National issue. Every pledge has grasped; every crisis unshrinkingly treasure and blood-causes the heart

they will spread or disperse. It is our passengers.

from Nebraska. He has had four ing year, 1800. years constant practice and doubtless Consul Murpi has invented others as startling as the 'Cross of Gold' upon which the hapless American working man was to be crucified. The figures to our purpose are the good old-fashioned kind learned at school and which were clearly presented for the consideration of the American voter in a masterly manner by the leaders of our party in the Philadelphia Convention. The incontestable facts which the Democrats will triumpliantly points, that under the present financial policy, we have the largest circulation of money, per capita, in the history of the Nation, and that the country under the gold standard, is prosperous to a degree that commands the attention of other nations, has caused the Populist-Demoeratic party to subordinate the shibocastings of impending disaster. With if brought forth this latest pigmy of the brain and named it 'imperialism,' placing it upon a platform which they fondly believed to be an impressive arraignment of the Republican party. "It is a senseless cry and has not been, nor ever will be justified by any conditions of our body politic. We do not set forth our boundaries unchangeably. Expansion has been our opportunities and possibly our salvation. The possession of the Philippines was the natural sequence of events, commencing with the destruction of the Spanish fleet in Manila Bay; events followed each other with startling rapidity, making a brilliant epoch for Americans, in the closing years of the century and shall we think so lightly of those who asked only of glory the on these distant islands, and who now humble graves of a soldier? What those lives have won shall we cast nomes and blessings, under our flag. denied them in their native land. We still have unbounded faith, that wher-

ever that flag is raised, whether on the mainland or island of the sea, it carries to all liberty, protection and peace. "It is not enough to have able leaders, it is not enough to have immortal principles set forth in our platform. We must have loyal and patriotic citizens who value the privileges of Amer-

"Patriotism does not alone consist in shouldering the rifle or girding on the sword, and a readiness to follow the fluttering flag to far-off fields of glory. take a pleasant herb drink, the next It is a sentiment implanted in the ing of the sort, however, is in contemsays pel him to study his country's every be continued as the flagship of the tive. It is made form herbs and ism will dictate to the honest Ameri- has written that she is in fine conis prepared as easily as tea. It is can voter that he study the economic called Lane's Medicine. All drug- and industrial questions which will be can voter that he study the economic dition and needed in the service.

sult will be the overwhelming election former promises. The state depart-

"Of the duties of public men the immen who know and realize that the within the time specified. first and greatest duty of this nation is to extend individual liberty to every foot of soll where the fortunes of as follows: "According to the Swiss peace or war may plant the Stars and press, the protective tariffs of Euro-Republican party, and such are the men whose names are presented to the voters of our country for election to the high offices of President and Vice President of the United States; whose names are synonymous with honesty. ability, loyalty, courage and qualities that make men great; whose ability in aside the pursuits and pleasures of busy, happy existence and hasten to the battlefield at their country's call; age equally great to bid defiance to It remains to be seen what the Amercriticism and follow the path of highest duty and under whose leadership with Switzerland. For a long time honest money and honest principles."

**************** WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

Division of E. G. Siggers.)

The agricultural department gives the following from recent experi- don says: The Chinese invasion of ments: As a means of destroying the the Amur Province is equivalent to a root lice, and particularly the woolly declaration of war against Russia. louse of the apple, the most generally which, construing it as such, has handrecommended measure hitherto is the ed the Chinese envoy at St. Petersburg use of hot water, and this, while be- his passports today and requested ing both simple and inexpensive, is him to leave the country, along with thoroughly effective, as has been dem- the members of his mission. onstrated by practical experience, The importance of this Chinese de-Water at nearly fire boiling point may claration of war against Russia, and of be applied about the base of young Confidence was restored; the wheels of trees without the slightest danger of injury to the trees, and should be used in sufficient quantity to wet the ground to the depth of several inches. of the United States would not allow as the lice may penetrate to nearly a foot below the surface. To facilitate the wetting of the roots and the extermination of the lice, as much of the surface soil as possible should be re-

The statistical report of the interstate commerce commission for the last fiscal year shows that the total been redeemed, every opportunity for single track mileage of the United the advantage of the people has been States increased 2,898 miles during the year, now being 189,294. The aggregate mileage, including tracks of all able to dietate terms to China indemet and the unbroken record of its kinds, was 250,364. The number of pendently of the other powers, and successes—at the minimum cost of locomotives in service is 36,703, an increase of 469; the number of cars of all classes 1,375,916, an increase of of the true American to swell with 49,742; persons employed 928,924, an increase of 54,366; number of casual-"Clouds have gathered on the hori- ties 51,743; those killed being 7.123 eventuality, have today decided to zons of the great nations. Human and those injured 44,620. Of these foresight cannot prophecy whether only 230 and 3,442 respectively were One passenger duty as a people to be watchful and killed for 2,189,023 carried, and one placing themselves in line with Russia

may arise, or dangers threaten our ship of sinte; therefore it behooves us to continue at the helm our pilot tried and true.

Exports of provisions from the fiscal year lust ended exceeded those of any previous year. The total was \$180,000, 1000, averaging a bath million doflars and surpassing the phenomenal Exports of provisions from this expected to follow suit immediately. convincing-not figures of speech; these a day, and surpassing the phenomenal ready prohibited the Clinese envoy at

burg to the state department as follows: "Attention has been attracted the Chick to minister has already packin Germany to a new method of packing butter which has been tried with satisfactory results in connection with imaging ments, so as to be ready for shipments from Melbourne to Kimberley. It consists in placing the butter in a box formed of six plates of ordinary window glass whose edges are ed Siberia with orders to drive all closed with gummed paper; the glass foreigners out of it, there are box is covered with a layer of plaster five other corps, one of which is enof paris one-fifth of an inch thick, and gaged in destroying the Russian Railnot see, and to which the Republican wrapped in water-proof packing paper. As the plaster is a bad conduct- the foreigners, especially the Russians. or of heat, a regular temperature is maintained within the box. Mr. Mur- pire; another is to occupy the roads phy recommends the method for hot

weather shipments. which funds raised for a given cause are often wasted has become manifest in the publication of the accounts leth of four years ago to other fore of the Boer fund for widows and orphans. Patrick O'Farrell, treasurer of the fifnd, has stated that \$1134 was subscribed, of which all but \$18 was spent for expenses. On the night the meeting was held here, a large sum was collected, but all was used in paying the expenses of entertainments, fireworks, decorations, the use of carriages, the hotel bills of the envoys while in Washington, etc., to the extent of \$1,120 out of the \$1,134 contributed. The wine bill was \$140. carriages \$127, band \$87, decorations

\$85, hotel bill \$565, and so on. It is a curious fact, which may or may not be repeated this year, that in every election for President in which the same candidates confronted each other twice in succession the nominee who was beaten in the first instance won in the second. Jefferson, who was defeated by John Ad-Henry Harrison, who was easily beaten by Van Buren in 1836, just aside as of no consequence? People as easily defeated Van Buren in 1840. from foreign countries enter our gates Cleveland, who was 65 in the minoroy thousands, rejoicing to posses ity in 1888 against Benjamin Harrison, had a majority of more than that figure, over Harrison in 1892. Minister Wu of China has called

to the possibility of attacks upon Chinese residents in this country, and it is likely that steps will be taken to protect as far as possible Chinamen who are residing temporarily in the United States. The Chinese legation is being guarded by the police. The navy department has received from Admiral Farquhar a protest against taking the cruiser New York out of commission. The admiral writes the department that a report has reached him through the newspapers that it is intended to place the interest in peace as well as war, to vote North Atlantic station, especially as right as well as fight right. Patriot- the commanding officer of the fleet

The sultan has promised to pay the submitted for his consideration, with \$100,000 indensity within three an eye single to his country's welfare, months. This cheering intelligence is with a heart inspired for his country's sent by Mr. Griscom, United States glory. Then we can have no fear that, charge d'affaires at Constantinople, when the election of officers, it is part of our duty.

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ment has replied instructing Mr. Griscom to keep a close watch on the sul mortal Lincoln said: "They should be tan and to insist on the payment Consul General Guenther writes to

the state department from Frankfort

of Switzerland, whose industries find support only in free trade England. Statesmen are inclined to seek for an alliance of Switzerland with some In this connection, foreign country. the Allegemeine Schweizer Zeitung suggests the United States. It says: "In spite of dark sides which are also found there, the United States is full of the air of freedom. Switzerland would lose nothing if she should become a state of the United States of America, All she would have to do would be to send her representatives to Washington, Economically and politically she would gain everything.

icans would say about an alliance

WAR IS NOW DECLARED.

CHINESE MINISTER DISMISSED BY RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT.

he Czar's Army Can Now Act Inde. pendently of the Other Powers in the Chinese Trouble,

NEW YORK, July 19 .- A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Lon-

this bold invasion of Russian territory, lies in the fact, as the matter now stands, that it virtually releases the Czar from his obligations to the foreign powers to act in concert with them in China. He is placed thereby in a position to act independently, not only with reference to the defence of his dominions against the Chinese invasion, but also as regards the carrying of war into the enemy's country and an

eventual march upon Pekin. Should Russia's army preceeding from Siberia, reach Pekin and capture it before the allies could get to it from the Pacific Coast, the Czar would be without any regard to their wishes, virtually estabishing himself as master

of the country. The British and German Governments, alarmed at the idea of this abandon the policy which they have pursued until now and to declare war was upon the Chinese Government, thus and France and the United States is France has, indeed, already issued.

arms or war material of sany kind to the Chinese, while Germany has alwe will leave to our Populist friend record achieved by that record-break- I giln from communicating with his government except though the German Consul Murphy writes from Madge- foreign office, and is preparing to give I'm his passports. Here in London, ed gill belongings, removed his boys from the schools and cancelled all his mmedicate departure.

In addition to the corps of the Imperial Chinese Army, which has invadroad in Manchuria and in driving all from the northern portion of the Embetween Pekin and Sham Hai Kwan; vet another is to concerntrate at Nank-A good illustration of the way in ing, while columns are being directed in hot haste to Tien Tsin, to the borders of Corea and to the neighborhood of Shanghal.

Altogether the Pekin government is stimated to have arms at the present moment no less than 1,000,000 men. splendidly equipped with Mauser ifies, smokeless powder and quickfiring ordnance, and carefully trained under the direction of Danish and German officers. This huge army is under the orders of Prince Tuan. In addition to this, there is the Chin-

ese fleet, reconstructed and reorganized since the war with Japan, and comprising 15 first-class cruisers of the very latest type. These are cruising about the Yellow sea, with their decks cleared for action.

Inasmuch as five vessels of the allie fleet, including the British battle-ship Terrible, are cruising about in the same waters, reconnoitering various towns and forts and inviting the latter to open fire upon them, news may be expected at any moment of a naval battle

Nine other foreign men-of-war are at anchor off Shanghai, with the object of assisting in the defense of that city in the event of its being attacked by the big Chinese army, which is now, within one day's march of the place.

IT HAS A COMMERCIAL VALUE

The China berry tree is being dis cussed for its possible commercial valthe attention of the state department ue, which seems to be of the first color. W. D. Woods, of Darlington, S. C., an authority on trees, presents some of its extraordinary qualities. "As a soil renovator," he says, "it has no equal in this country, the berries which it bears being very rich in fertilizing elements." In addition to this these berries are "a most excellent tonic for horses." develops very quickly, surpassing all other trees in this country in the rapidity of its growth."-New York Commercial.

"I have your consent then to make

suit to your daughter?" "You have, young man, but I am forced to tell you before hand that it will not avail you." Why not, pray?"

"Because she is pleased with noth "Ah, but I am certain I can please her."-Richmond Disnatch.

"My wife," boasted the happy