#### PREDICTS GREAT FUTURE FOR UTAH AND NEVADA

## Mining Man Enthusiastic Over Camps

## George W. Silks Declares Mining Prospects for ment by Facts of Purchase.

Los Angeles.—George W. Silks, one the question has been definitely set-of the most prominent mining men tled by formal action of the Santa Fe. in Utah and at present a guest at the and that they will proceed to build Hotel Alexandria, says that there is with all possible dispatch. a great future in the mining business in both Utah and Nevada.

Mr. Silks declares that the mining course of another decade.

outright by kings of finance of the United States is regarded by Mr. Silks as the best advertisement that could be given those mining dis-Silks refers particularly to the purchase of the Shoshone mine Charles M. Schwab.

with the large mining interests in the cities of Mammoth and Eureka, sixty short time. miles distant from Salt Lake City. The towns are about three miles opinion that a daily service will be apart and within the past three years maintained, and this is borne out by have proved ore producing centers of the fact that if a mail contract is the highest class.

#### CLARK SELLS BULLFROG LAND

## Paid Almost a Million Dollars for Mines, Townsite and Water Company McDonald is

Tonopah, Nev.-H. H. Clark, one of the largest mining operators of southern Nevada, has sold all his Bullfrog holdings for almost a mil this proposition to back down. Our lion dollars eash to Malcolm Mac-

Donald of this city.

The deal includes a third interest in the Bullfrog Mining Company, the townsite of Bullfrog and the water

#### Railroads Will Not Compromise.

A report has been circulated by the that the two transcontinental lines, the Santa Fe and Salt Lake, would compromise, and that instead of two roads, one only, tapping the lines of both companies, could be built from

Leastalk into Searchlight.

The officials of the Searchlight & Northern positively deny that any compromise has been effected. They state that offers have been received from the Santa Fe to quit, but that none of them have been accepted by the Searchlight & Northern.

'Engineers are now only about five miles from town.—The Searchlight, Nevada.

#### RECOMMENDS BIG WARSHIP

#### Secretary Bonaparte Advocates Building of Two 15,000 Ton Warships or One of 19,500 Tons.

on naval affairs in support of an increase in the navy. He advocated an ton battleships, and if congress does not see fit to provide for two such ships, he urges the construction of one 19,500-ton battleship.

In the main Secretary Bonaparte's recommendations were in harmony with those included in his annual reaggregates \$23,300,000. Of this sum the chief items \$15,000. two battleships recommended.

## OLD SOL MOVES WARSHIPS

#### Battleships Ohio and Wisconsin Leave Manila for China, Probably to Escape Approaching Heat.

Washington. - Word reached the navy department that the battleship Chio, the flagship of Rear Admiral West river, about seventy miles from Charles J. Train, had left Manila for Canton and eighty seven miles from Shanghai. It is supposed the admiral Hongkong. is aboard the ship, although the dis patch to the department does not indicate whether he is there or not. The battleship Wisconsin, which has also been stationed at Manila, preceded the Ohio 40 Shanghai by one

These movements the officials of the bureau of navigation say were not ordered by the department, being probably incidental to the approach of warm weather, whose influence is beginning to be felt in the Philip-

#### A Doctor or a Derrick. Dr. Moxley's night bell rang vielently. The doctor rose from his bed and put his mouth to the speaking

tube. "Who is it?" he asked. "It's Mr. Simmons," answered a plaintive voice. "Doctor, I'm nearly dead with a pain in my back. Can't

you do something for it?" "Go to a drug store," was the reply "Get a porous plaster, put it on according to directions, and it will relieve

Then the doctor went back to bed. A few nights later there came anoth-

er ring at his bell. "Well?" queried Dr. Moxley, with his mouth to the speaking tube.

"It's Mr. Simmons," said the same

Dr. Zamenhof, the inventor of Esper anto, the "universal" language, was born at Bialystok, a Polish town on the border of Germany and Russia.

#### TO HAVE TWO RAILROADS

#### The Santa Fe Company is Not Bluffing and the S. & N. Won't Back Down.

Searchlight, Nev.-The question has long agitated the camp as to whether the Santa Fe railroad really OF INTEREST TO FARMERS AND intended to build into Searchlight or whether the surveying which was be ing done for the past few months by Two States Are Glittering -- Backs Up State- their engineers was for the purpose of scaring off the Searchlight & Northern.
We can now assure our readers that

Italy - English Potatoes In America -

Official action has been taken by the Santa Fe railroad officials on the question of building the road to Searchlight from Barnwell. This accamps now scattered throughout Nevada and Utah are but a small percentage of what there will be in the tracks all reports and rumors heretofore circulated asserting that there The ore that is being found is of the highest grade and the fact that many of the mines are being bought outright by kings of finance of the sured The Searchlight that he had received telegrams from A. G. Wells, general manager, of the Santa Fe, that final action had been taken in the tricts. In the latter statement, Mr. matter and that the company had decided to build the road on their own resources. The company's engineers are still in the field and their pro-Mr. Silks is prominently connected gress, while necessarily slow,

> Col. Hopkins says that it is his to the company, daily service will be

Regarding the contracts for the grading of the road, laying of ties, rails and rolling stock, etc., nothing is known at present.

The fact that the Santa Fe has positively decided to build in Searchlight will not effect the plans of the Searchlight & Northern Ry. in any respect. G. H. McClintock, an officer of the S. & N. Ry., returned from a trip to road will positively be built, and I have the assurance from Dr. Homer A. Hansen, our president, that whatever funds are necessary will be immediately forthcoming. That the Santa Fe has also decided to build will have no effect whatever on our plans, and if Searchlight needs two railroads, it is certain now that it will have them. It is my candid Los Angeles mining press which states opinion that there is business enough in sight here for the two roads. Our preliminary survey is nearly completed and we will be ready to work on grading within a very short time. The Searchlight.

#### FAIL TO OBTAIN \$20,000

## Discloses Probable Motive of Sea Rovers. Kerosene Untouched.

Hongkong. - Details of the capture and looting by Chinese pirates March 22, near Canton, of a launch, owned by the Standard Oil company were obtained.

The launch or tug Comet was proceeding to Kong Mun, between Wampoa and Canton, towing a lighter laden with kerosene oil. While passing what is known as the "second barrier," or second line of form at 6:30 Thursday er obstructions, Washington.-Secretary Bonaparte evening, and when in sight of appeared before the house committee Wampoa, on the island of Wampoa, islands lying be one of the many tween Canton and the sea, a number appropriation this year for two 16,000- of junks manned by pirates closed around the Comet and her tow. A stink pot (earthen jar containing sunkpowder, resin and hand grenades was thrown into her engine room, the pirates boarded the launch and her crew was overpowered. The pirates then beached the Comet and the light port. His estimate for construction er and removed all the valuables from the two vessels, including a number of Winchester rifles and a thousand rounds of ammunition. The cargo of kerosene was not touched.

The pirates, it appears, missed cap turing much more valuable booty. was the intention of the Standard Oil company officials to ship \$20,000 in specie on the Comet on her last trip, but the shipment was transferred to a freight steamer. The American consular officials are investigating the affair.

Kong Mun, also written Kong Kun and Kong Moon, is a treaty port situated three miles up a creek on the

## DEWEY NEARING GIBRALTAR

#### Experience Has Taught Officers How to Manage Ponderous Tow.

Gilbraltar. - The United States naval tug Potomac, one of the vessels con-voying the drydock Dewey to the and flower exhibits will be given dur-Philippine Islands, arrived here from Ing the current year, one in May and Las Palmas, Canary Islands. Her the other in November. The flower commander said the Dewey, which show given by this society during the left the Canaries March 18, passed first week of November, 1905, was the through the Straits of Gibraltar on most successful, from a financial

Monday morning. The knowledge gained by the earlier Pacific coast. experience has enabled the American officers to avoid the difficulties previously encountered, and the towing Las Palmas is proceeding from smoothly. Fair weather has prevailed and the dock is in good condi-

## Self-Control.

The possessor of an equable temper is to be admired. The man or woman who always has himself or herself well in hand, who is cool under all annoyances and circumstances, who The advantages of the poultry and has absolute control of the temper, we egg industry in Sonoma Country are are always willing to trust in any its nearness to a reliable market, emergency. But a person who flashes quick cash returns, and length of plaintive voice. "Doctor, my back is like powder touched by a lighted all right now, but I've got to have match, who loses control of himself or some help in gettin' this porous plaster herself upon the slightest provocation. we distrust, and have a right to do so. and drink. In the battle of life, he who would achieve victorles must keep a cool head. And this matter is largely un- rain of the season-see that the soil der our own control.

## IN FIELD OF HUSBANDRY

# ORCHARDISTS

Italy-English Potatoes In America-The Delusive Hen-Horticultural Society.

#### The Right Way.

A certain farmer, when confronted with a few days' work of comparatively short catch-up jobs, writes out, each evening, a list of things he means to do the following day, and then, as each one is done, he checks it off. He says that it gets to be real fun to see how quickly he can add another - task to his list of finished work; and then be can tell at a glance what is best to take up next. thus saved himself many a useless step running from one task to another.

#### Spray or Die.

Most people seem to have the cheerful notion that a tree planted will go on producing its foliage, bloom and fruit without further attention. Per-haps it was once, but the San Jose scale has changed all that. Prior to the advent of this insect, spraying was merely practiced in a very limited way by a few expert gardeners and commercial orchardists, in order to combat rust, smut and some insect pests, notably the scab and the codlin moth of the apple. But not until the Giver of all Good Things sent along the San Jose scale did the public awake to the fact that it was a case of spray or die. And now all over the country people are becoming acquainted with their trees and learning something of their habits and needs, thanks to a pesky little plant louse hiding under a shell-like tent, almost too small to be seen by the naked eye -so small that millions of them may be on a tree before being discovered. says Country Life in America.

#### Irrigation in Italy.

In northern Italy the construction of canals and aqueducts for irrigation is being pushed on a large scale, and the irrigated areas are constantly expanding. Yet Italy has no greater need of irrigation than any state in the American union.

#### English Potatoes in America.

Consul Hamm, of Hull, sends a table giving the quantities of potatoes shipped at that port from November 1905, to January 18, 1906. The to-Details of Launch Capture by Chinese Buccaneers tal number of bushels was 152,000, worth \$64,600, or about 42 cents a bushel. They came from Yorkshire and Lincolnshire, where the land is brought to the highest stage of culti vation and drainage and the best of fertilizers are used. The consul add that it seems strange that England, with its crowded population, can export thousands of bushels of potatoes to a country like the United States, with an abundance of cheap arable land. The American duty, too, is 25 cents per bushel.

## The Delusive Hen.

More men have sailed to shipwreck in the poultry business than in any ency which goes in certain strains other that one can easily recall, and the same as in certain families of yet there is no other business which, from every consideration of mathe matics, political economy and biology ought to pay so well. - Portland Ore-

## The Potato Worm.

The most serious pest in California is the potato worm. The damage to the potato crop in California, as estimated by the writer on a basis of opinions obtained from a large number of growers and dealers, aggregates in some years fully twenty-five per cent. In one section where some of the finest potatoes are grown, the Salinas Valley, the dealers estimate that at times the loss has gone as high as 40, 000 sacks in a single year, and indeed, the potatoes from many sections of the state have to be watched carefully by the dealers to avoid wormy lots. This need of care is because of the fact that a very few wormy potatoes may infect in a few weeks a whole storeroom full of what were originally clear tubers. potato is a food product that is expected to retain its value for many months, this possibility of infestation becomes a most serious question.

## Horticultural Society.

The Southern California Horticultural Society has incorporated under the laws of the State of California and tandpoint, of any ever held on the

## Products of Sonoma County, California.

The Sonoma County Board of Trade Journal says:

"It may seem a broad assertion, but neverthless it is true, that Sonoma County, together with her great wine dairy stock and other large industries produces as much poultry and eggs as all the balance of the State put together.

The annual output of this latter commodity is over \$2,000,000 in value.

The cow is the best friend the poor man has. She furnishes both meat

After each rain the soil should be well cultivated-it may be the last moisture is conserved.

## JAPAN FAMINE MOST TERRIBLE OF LATE YEARS

## One Million Estimated to Be Starving

No Relief in Sight Until Next October-Sixteen Million Dollars Required to Save Country People - Meeting of Japanese Famine Com-

New York.—The New York state branch of the American Red Cross issued a statement as to famine conditions in Japan.

"The famine in Japan," the statement says, "which has been consideris now known, as the result of reliable peninsula for the great water pipe. ed for some time moderately serious, private advices received by the New York State Red Cross, to be one of the most terrible starvation emergencies of modern times. The failure of the rice crop, which at one time was believed to be limited to ertain places only, in the northern nardino county near Victorville, and provinces, was found to be general in hese parts of Japan, and conservative timates place the number of starving Japanese from 800,000 to 1,000,000 persons. For this there is no relief in sight until next October, when a new harvest will be available. The sum of \$16,000,000 will be required to we the Japanese country people. A special meeting of the Japanese committee is now considering hether it is wise to undertake the ollection and transportation of food

#### Dispositions of Cows.

s well as money.

Cows differ as much in their disthat has handled a large number of panies in the United States is to be I hurriedly jammed a couple of cartosition as human beings. Any farmcows will have run across the stub-established in Mexico. Three million ridges into the magazine—my rifle orn cow, the affectionate cow, the dollars in gold will be invested in an holding only four all of which I have notherly cow, even the bossy cow. intinuation of his herd.

#### Be Good to the Hen.

She will only return for food attention up to her original \$150 on his crop of 5000 bales.

will permit.

is an important point. It is a tend- vocate. ency which goes in certain strains skillful care and feeding will produce looked for this season, and the shipthe best results.

Chickens that are poor without being cared for make but small progress in life, seldom, if ever, become the on in the history of the State. Apribest egg producers. To have the best cots will yield only about a quarter of results with a quick spring growth a crop, as the rains were too late in necessary for the establishment of size the fall. Those trees under irrigation, and vigor, they must be well fed, regularly fed and properly fed from Peaches, plums, and prunes promise shell to finish. Anything short of this insures an advance to poor growth and poor results all along the line. With scabs, as was the case last y Pick all small, slow-going indiffer. Should future rains not wash ent appearing pullets and save them for broilers. Keep for maturity only the best of the whole lot of pullets.

## The Horse Trough.

Cal. Cultivator.

"There have been many philanthropists in the past who have left monuments to their names in the shape of drinking troughs for horses, little thinking that they were contributing to the spread of disease through the equine family," said a prominent veternary surgeon the other day. "To be thoroughly up to date, scientifically speaking, drinking places for horses should be just as sanitary as those for human beings. These stationary tanks do more to spread the glanders, farcy, epizootic than anything else. There should be use.

after use.

"The average truckman of any intelligence will never water his horses at any public trough, no matter how elaborate it may be. He knows better. The health authorities of this the Cimex lectularius in the house. country are spending millions to prevent the spread of tuberculosis and kindred diseases among humans, but so far as I know nothing has been done to protect the health of the most useful of domestic animals."-Chicago Inter Ocean

#### Much in Evidence. Dick-How did you like the new play?

Tom-I thought Miss Sadie Blugore

had entirely too much to say. Dick-Was she in it? Why, I didn't even know she had gone on the stage. Tom-She was in one of the boxes with a party the night I was there.

#### California Items of Interest.

Tulare is arranging for a May festi-Visalia has had the worst flood

since 1862.

Seeds of tender annuals may now be sown with safety.

An 80-acre prune orchard near Santa Clara has been sold for \$50,000. The town of El Centro is beginning to loom up on the southern horizon as a would-be rival to Imperial.

The Southern Pacific now has over 2,200 fruit refrigerator cars on side les, and had wandered off with his tracks in California ready for orange shipments.

About 100 vineyards and pospective vineyardists of Ukiah and vicinity have organized the Viticultural Society of Mendocino county There is to be a twelve foot tunnel

Professor Waite and the Govern-

ment pear-blight experts have finished starvation their crusade, and there is nothing more to be done until next season. The largest apple orchard in Southern California is located in San Ber-

consists of 400 acres. Visalia, the county seat of Tulare, is manifesting a most laudable en-

thusiasm in the matter of securing her share of homeseekers and investors. As a gigantic industry, sugar beet

amine committee has been called. possibility of raising successive crops, regardless of seasons.

> shipping oranges, arrangements for such a test now being under way.— Upland News. An industry which is being viewed with concern by the sugar-beet com- made two or three jumps onward, while

enormous sugar beet plant. ome of these qualities are good and Actual returns from all citrus fruit me are bad. A man should try to sold this year have averaged to date

liminate the bad qualities and en- 8650 a car, against 8500 a car for all of denly to give way, his head dropped ourage the development of good ones last year and \$400 a car for the precedthe selection of the cows for the ing year. These figures are for fruit rabbit. Each of my three bullets had on the cars in California.-Upland inflicted a mortal wound." News. The Analey Standard reports the

hop growers of Sonoma county as re-What the hen on the farm needs is joicing over the great saving they he proper assortment of grain, plenty are making in the purchase of supf green food and a full proportion of plies this year. Besides a saving of call and grit. If this is provided tally 50 per cent on the annual institute properly housed and surface, the exchange has arranged to the surface. ande to exercise you will have hens to secure hop cloth and twine by the n winter when it pays well to have carload lots for the members at a ing of 25 cents a bale for the cloth, If the cow is not by nature a or \$2250 saving for the year's supply eavy and rich milker, all the for the crop. The saving on twine balanced rations one can prepare is about in proportion. One grower will not make her such. So with the twine he will make a saving of fully

The foreign market will be exce; More and better green food supply tionally good this season. Already and more meat of some kind are what large orders have been placed with he hen needs for winter egg product the Eastern dealers by the wholesalers fectly composed, made as if to comply on.

Of Germany and other European with the request. But as he got within As to what is enough green food we countries. Germany has taken the reach of his tormentor, with a rush would say all they will eat. As to lead thus far and promises to greatthe quantity of cut bone or meat, all ly surprise her imports of prunes for you can afford to give them and last year. The California prune has hold a profit, as a possible egg yield won great favors with the people of of say three eggs per week per hen. Germany, and they are willing to pay Meantime, the pistols had gone off Give them of animal food less than the price asked for the goods. Eng. the bullets penetrating the celling and one-tenth of their whole ration of land, too, has already sent in orders doing no harm to anybody. When the meat, and from this up to one-fifth to Eastern representatives and she of their whole ration of meat as cost will import heavily of California dried brawler opened his eyes he was ready fruits. In securing a good supply of eggs good this year because of the new quarter. Wherefore, be it said that the inborn tendency of heavy laying demand. - California Grocers' Ad- true to his laterday preachment, Roose

A Sacramento telegram says: "Ex- but would not suffer an insult. A man ceedingly large yields of all fruit crops of his type is not often insulted. eattle, and without it no amount of with the exception of apricots, are ments should be equal to those of last year, when 8,000 cars of decidnous fruit were sent east, the greatest seashowever, will produce good crops. well. The pears this season should be of excellent quality and not disfigured with scabs, as was the case last year. pollen from the cherry blossoms there will also be a satisfactory yield of that fruit. Of the citrus fruit all the navel oranges have been shipped from this part of the state, while Southern California is just beginning to for ward its shipments to the Eastern markets. - Cal. Cultivator.

> Save the manure on the farm. When properly applied it means more crops and better crops in years to

> The curry comb and brush are the

horse's bath. Now is the time to plant pansies for ummer blooms.

## Severe, but Effectual.

Although the wife and daughters of Mr. Benson were on the point of leavand kindred diseases among horses ing for their summer vacation, the claims of his business prevented him a law to prevent their building and from joining them. On the morning of their departure Mrs. Benson made "The only safe place for a horse to the horrifying discovery that a certain drink, next to a natural running noxious creature, well known to house stream, is from a fountain of clear | keepers, had been found in his room, flowing water. If buckets are used She gave him particular directions as they should be sterilized thoroughly to exterminating the pest, and bade him good-by.

On her return, about ten weeks later, he informed her, with much satisfaction, that the treatment had been effectual-there was not a specimen of

"You were careful to follow my directions, were you?" she asked. "To the very letter." "You sprinkled the powder thorough-

ly about, and kept the room closed tightly for two days, did you?"

"Two days!" he gasped. "I thought you said two months. I've been sleeping in the attic ever since you went

## Made Rich.

don't make the man." "Think so?" queried his friend.

ROOSEVELT'S BIGGEST BEAR.

How the President Risked His Life to Get a Large Grissly.

It was when ranching that his stead-

iness with a gun in the face of a

charging bear was proved, says Mc.

Clure's Magazine. It was then that he

got his biggest grizzly, whose skin is

now prized as one of his best trophies as well as a souvenir of a very exciting incident in his life. He was camping alone in the foothills of the Rockrifle in search of game. Coming suddenly on a huge grizzly he wounded it and the bear retreated to cover in a near-by thicket. As Roosevelt was endeavoring to locate the quarry from the open the bear suddenly appeared from Alameda county under San He fired, but the bullet did not stop Francisco Bay, to the shores of the the rush of the maddened animal Blowing bloody foam from his mouth. the bear charged straight at Rooseveit. "I waited until he came to a fallen tree," wrote the hunter, "raking him as he topped it with a ball which entered his chest and went through the cavity of his body, but he neither swerved nor flinched, and at the moment I did not know that I had struck him. He came steadily on, and in another second was almost upon me. I fired for his forehead, but my bullet went low, entering his open mouth smashing his lower jaw and going into raising said to offer unusual advantages in Mexico, on account of the his neck. I leaped to one side almost as I pulled the trigger, and through the hanging smoke the first thing I Orange shippers at Redlands are saw was his paw as he made a victous looking forward with interest to a side blow at me. The rush of his trial of the bushel-basket system of charge carried him past. As he struck he lurched forward, leaving a pool of bright blood where his muzzle hit the

> The President has well earned the distinction of being a successful hunter He has killed every kind of North American big game. And yet there is

ground; but he recovered himself and

fired. Then he tried to pull up, but

as he did so his muscles seemed sud-

and he rolled over and over like a shot

On just one occasion when living in the west was Roosevelt in danger of serious molestation. He was threatened when that physical vigor for which he had striven had come in full measure. A big brawler, mistaking him for a tenderfoot, cursed him roundly, and pointing two revolvers at him, ordered him to buy the drinks. Roosevelt, perreach of his tormentor, with a rush born of his cleverness in boxing, he delivered a blow on the man's jaw that stretched him full length on the floor. The price promises to be to surrender his guns and to cry for velt, was never spoiling for a fight

#### Facts About Eric Canal. Some taxpayers still associate the

Erie canal with a mule. These erring citizens forget the steam consort, says Leslie's Weekly. It was by steam consort standard upon which the people of New York State two years ago based their vote sanctioning the expenditure of \$101,000,00 for an improved Erie canal, a practically new canal, known officially as the Erie 100-Ton Barge canal.

What does \$101,000,000 mean? It means that the new Erie canal is to be the most costly artificial waterway in the world. It means that the Erie canal is to cost \$1,000,000 more than the one at Suez. It means that the Erie canal is to cost twenty-five times as much as the Soo-the greatest ship canal on earth in point of tonnage. It means that the Erie canal is to cost more than the Manchester ship canal, which cost a trifle of \$75,000,000. It means that the new Erie 1,000-Ton Barge canal is to cost even more than the world's most colossal engineering feat-the Panama canal. It means that \$52,000,000 spent in the past and \$9,000,000 spent in the last decade must be added to the \$101,000,000, and hence, that the new Erie canal, when finished in 1913, will have cost, old and new, a matter of \$161,000,000, or some \$11,000,000 more than the estimate of the total cost of building Uncle Sam's Panama canal.

## Eggs Contain a Poison.

Paragraphs have been extensively published in the daily papers dealing with the researches of M. Loisel, of Paris, on the recurrence of poisonous principles in eggs. It seems that the yolk of the eggs of hens, ducks and tortoises contain a poison which, if injected into the veins or otherwise inoculated into the animal body, causes death from its effects on the nervous system. The white of the tortoise's egg also contains a toxic substance.

Why eggs are not poisonous as ordinarily used or even when eaten raw may be explained on the ground that the action of digestion alters the composition of the egg or at least modifies it so that ill effects are avoided. In-"How ridiculous it is," remarked the deed, it is easy to show that certain wealthy tailor, "to -, that clothez foods at a particular stage of digestion are "poisons." It is the action of the liver on such foods which robs them "Why, of course; they've made me." of their power to do harm-