OFFICIAL STORY OF PLOT

PLAN TO OVERTURN CANADIAN RULE ON THE YUKON.

United States and Canada Had Agreed to Act Together in Case of a Rebellion.

OTTAWA, Ont., Nov. 22.—The story of the plot to overthrow Canadian rule in the Yukon, based upon official reports to the Minister of the Interior, follows:

"About three weeks ago the police at Dawson, under the direction of Superintendent Woods, shadowed a man whom they thought was a suspicious character. The police got into this man's confidence, and he finally disclosed a plot which, he said, had been formed by people at Skagway and Seattle. The idea was to rush the posts in the lower part of the Yukon, and then take possession of the country. The conspirators reckoned upon the American citizens in the Yukon not assisting the Canadian authorities, so that the raid, in their opinion, would be comparatively an easy matter.

"News of the plot was quickly sent from Dawson to White Horse, and the police there soon had under surveillance all suspicious characters. The headquarters of the conspiracy was located at Skagway, and it was ascertained who the characters associated with it were and where the papers bearing upon the plot were kept. There was nothing, however, to show any overt act of treason to the United States or Canada, consequently the authorities could not take any proceedings. Canadian officers went down to Skagway, nevertheless, and consulted with United States officers, and concerted action was agreed upon in case of necessity. In the meantime the persons connected with the plot were closely watched."

All the facts in the possession of the Interior Department regarding the alleged conspiracy were made public today. Officials here do not take a serious view of the situation.

On September 21 Controller Fred White, of the Mounted Police, was advised by Superintendent Primrose, of Dawson, of a report from Seattle that some scheme was being concocted to seize Canadian territory in the Yukon. On the 25th Mr. White again received a message from Superintendent Primrose saying he was unable to confirm the report, although circumstances tended to confirm his suspicions. On September 21 Superintendent Primrose again wired that his previous cipher message referred to the disputed territory and the Dalton trail, and that he was writing. Superintendent Primrose's letter was received October 7. It stated that he had been unable to confirm current reports.

It appears that a man named H. Greght had told at Dawson that he knew of a conspiracy against the government; that Greght had been shadowed by the police, and it was discovered that he told several stories about himself. He had been in Dawson about a month. Greght, it was said by a member of the Mounted Police, had been in the grocery business in Butte, Mont. Nothing more was heard from there until November 4, when Controller Fred White received the following telegram from Superintendent Wood, of Dawson:

"Snyder reports having discovered whereabouts in Skagway of papers relating to conspiracy to seize territory. United States refuses to secure unless Snyder makes affidavit as to conspirators. This, of course, he cannot do. Am satisfied such conspiracy exists."

The police were also trying to locate a man named Short, who had been mentioned as having knowledge of a conspiracy.

IT WAS BORN AT DAWSON.

More of the Conspiracy to Overthrow Canadian Rule on Yukon.

SEATTLE, Nov. 22.—The Times prints the following from Victoria, B. C.:

There was an organized conspiracy to seize Dawson, secure the barracks of the Northwest mounted police, with their arms and ammunition, loot the banks and pillage the metropolis of the rich Northern gold fields. These facts are confirmed. James Seeley, formerly of this city, and now head of the secret service of the Northwest mounted police, is in the city, and says that not only was there a conspiracy to overthrow Canadian rule in the Yukon and loot Dawson, but the scheme hatched by the conspirators was a very feasible one, and had its existence not been discovered by the secret service of the Yukon and nipped in the bud, the raiders could have accomplished their purpose, and, after taking Dawson, could have held that place and the Yukon for six weeks or two months.

The conspiracy was born at Dawson, and had a branch at Skagway, but no existence in any other point to the south of Skagway, although efforts were made to secure the assistance of pro-Boer sympathizers in Seattle and other points in the United States. It was at Dawson that the plot was made last Summer. Several American Fenians who had drifted to Dawson got together and formed an organization which was called the Order of the Midnight Sun. A number of others were gathered in, and the order grew until there were several hundred adherents in September, when the members of the secret service in the Yukon became aware of its existence.

ELKS' MEMORIAL DAY.

Ralph E. Moody Will Deliver the Address at Salem.

SALEM, Nov. 22.—Salem Lodge, No. 336, B. P. O. E., has completed arrangements for the annual memorial exercises to be held in honor of the deceased members of the order. The services will be conducted in the lodgeroom in the I. O. O. F. temple, on Sunday afternoon, December 1, and invitations are being issued. The memorial address will be delivered by Ralph E. Moody, of Portland.

The programme of exercises will be as follows:

Selection .....
B. P. O. E. orchestra.
Ritualistic work.....
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B. P. O. E. orchestra.
Ritualistic work.....
Opening ode .....
Duet—"Hark, Hark, My Soul" .....Shelley
Miss Lona White and Mrs. Charles H. Hinges.
Introductory remarks .....
Exalted Ruler F. W. Durbin.
Prayer .....
Rev. W. C. Kantner.
Memorial address .....
R. E. Moody.
Solo—"Holy City" .....
Mrs. Charles H. Hinges.
Reading—"Thanatopsis" .....
Miss Sophia Wolf.
Selection .....
Stalwart Quartet.
Ritualistic work .....
Closing ode .....

A BLESSING TO THE LOGGERS.

Heavy Rains Will Permit of the Running of Many Logs.

ASTORIA, Nov. 22.—The heavy rain storm of last night and today is a blessing to the loggers in this district, as the freshet will enable them to bring their logs down to tidewater. It is estimated that there are about 20,000,000 feet of logs in the streams in this vicinity ready to be floated down. The number of feet in the various streams is as follows: Lewis and Clark, 7,000,000; Necanicum, 5,000,000; Young's River, 2,000,000; Gray's River, 4,000,000; Crooked Creek, 2,000,000.

Will Not Accept Nominations.

It will be necessary for the Republican City Central Committee to fill a number of vacancies in the ticket nominated yesterday. A. Schernecker, who was selected as the candidate for Mayor, has refused the nomination on the ground of ill health. He was also nominated by the Citizens for Councilman from the Second Ward, which office he at present holds. Martin Foard, who was nominated by the Republicans for Police Commissioner, has declined the position for business reasons. It is understood that there will be other withdrawals from the Republican ticket.

GAS AT ONTARIO.

It Was Struck by Men Drilling for Oil—Well Will Be "Shot."

ONTARIO, Or., Nov. 22.—A good quality of gas was struck yesterday in the oil well being drilled near here. It was at once lighted and burned continuously throughout the night. Drilling has been discontinued, and arrangements are being made to "shoot" the well.

The gas comes up through about 1000 feet of water. The strike is just outside the great belt where oil is said to exist, and it is not improbable that another few hundred feet on the bottom of Ontario's well will open the deposit for which the Vale people are looking. The shooting of the well will take place in a day or two. The townspeople who have subscribed to the deep oil well here are greatly exercised at the gas strike, and are willing to go deeper, if the result is not more than satisfactory at the 1100-foot mark.

Oregon Mining Stock Exchange.

Yesterday's quotations:

	Bid.	Asked.
Adams Mountain	2½	4
Astoria-Melbourne (guaranteed)	14½	25
Buffalo	2½	3
Copperopolis	14½	25
Caribou	1½	3½
Gold Hill & Bohemia	8½	10
Huronian	5½	6½
Lost Horse	2½	2½
Oregon-Colorado M. M. & D.	24½	29½
Riverside	2½	3½
Sumpter Consolidated	2½	3½

Sales:
2250 Copperopolis 15
1500 Caribou 2
1000 Huronian 5
1000 Lost Horse 2½

SPOKANE, Nov. 22.—The closing quotations of mining stocks:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Amer. Boy	9½	10½	Morrison	1½	2½
Blacktail	9½	9½	Prin. Maud	2½	3½
Crystal	6½	9	Quilp	20½	25
Deer Trail	2½	3	Ramb. Car	50½	52
Gold Ledge	1½	1½	Republic	3½	4½
L. P. Surp.	4½	4½	Reservation	4½	5
L. Dreyfus	3½	4	Sullivan	9½	10
Mtn. Lion	22½	24½	Tom Thumb	13½	14½
Morn. Glory	1½	2			

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—Official closing quotations of mining stocks:

Alta	$0 06	Mexican	$0 19
Belcher	5	Occidental Con	4
Best & Belcher	14	Ophir	80
Caledonia	22	Overman	3
Challenge Con	16	Potosi	4
Chollar	5	Savage	5
Confidence	70	Sierra Nevada	10
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 60	Silver Hill	32
Crown Point	2	Standard	3 25
Gould & Curry	7	Union Con	12
Hale & Norcross	18	Utah Con	1

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Adams Con	$0 18	Little Chief	$0 12
Alice	45	Ontario	9 50
Breese	65	Ophir	75
Brunswick Con	11	Phoenix	8
Comstock Tunnel	6	Potosi	3
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 55	Savage	5
Deadwood Terra	50	Sierra Nevada	8
Horn Silver	1 90	Small Hopes	40
Iron Silver	60	Standard	3 65
Leadville Con	5		

BOSTON, Nov. 22.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 22 00	Osceola	100 00
Allouez	4 50	Parrott	37 00
Amalgamated	86 00	Quincy	150 00
Baltic	46 00	Santa Fe Cop.	4 50
Cal. & Hecla	670 00	Tamarack	287 00
Centennial	15 50	Trimountain	44 00
Copper Range	64 00	Trinity	25 25
Dominion Coal	46 50	Utah	22 12
Franklin	16 50	Victoria	8 75
Mohawk	47 50	Wolverines	59 50
Old Dominion	26 75		

Rich Body of Ore Uncovered.

GRANT'S PASS, Nov. 22.—A body of ore has been uncovered at a depth of 200 feet in the Nighthawk mine, in the Water Gulch district, 25 miles east of here, that is proving fabulously rich. The pay chute uncovered has a width of 12 inches, and sets nearly vertical. Several tons of the ore that have been taken out went $94 to the ton, free gold and sulphurets. Eighty tons have been removed from the strike that have milled $75 per ton. None of the base rock in the vein runs less than $22. The Nighthawk is a new proposition.

WOOLGROWERS ORGANIZE.

Malheur and Harney County Men Will Hereafter Pool Their Clips.

ONTARIO, Or., Nov. 22.—Organization of the Malheur and Harney County Woolgrowers' Association was effected here yesterday. Thomas Turnbull was elected president and E. H. Test secretary and treasurer. Hereafter the wool of these two counties will be controlled by this association, and auction sales will prevail. Heretofore the wool has been held here for months until buyers could be given their time to look into the matter.

New Blooded Cattle Ranch.

N. U. Carpenter, cashier of the First National Bank here, has purchased some good farm property and rented contiguous pasture lands for a long term of years, and is bringing in some blooded stock cattle from Eastern States, and will breed some very fine animals. He is joined in this by Mr. Schilling, of Washington, D. C.

Witnesses Against Balliet Leave.

BAKER CITY, Nov. 22.—The witnesses in the Balliet case, which comes up for trial before the United States District Court at Des Moines, Ia., on November 25, left yesterday to be present at the opening of court next Monday. The witnesses from this city are J. T. Donnelly, cashier of the First National Bank; B. T. Potter, Postmaster; Ira Nichols, James Baisley, C. H. Stuller and Fred S. Lack. This is the second trip these gentlemen have made to Des Moines in connection with this trial. The case was set for hearing last May, but was postponed at the request of the defendant. The charge against Letson Balliet, the defendant, is using the United States mails for fraudulent purposes.

Teachers' Institute at Dallas.

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 22.—The second day of the Polk County Teachers' Institute was marked by an increased attendance. Superintendent Robinson, of Multnomah County, and Professor S. Y. Gillan, of Milwaukee, Wis., were the principal speakers today.

Dr. G. M. Gaston spoke at the City Hall tonight on "Yosemite, God's Own Cathedral." This lecture was under the auspices of the Dallas Library Association, and was arranged for as a treat to the visiting teachers. It was indeed a treat.

Welcome Rain for Wheat District.

MORO, Or., Nov. 22.—After a long dry spell, which caused farmers to feel uneasy as to the coming wheat crop. This section yesterday had a fine warm rain, which will place the young grain beyond danger of freezing out. There is an unusually large acreage of Summer fallow seeded to wheat this season in Sherman County, and, owing to the present rain and other favorable conditions, the prospects for a large yield of Fall-sown grain were never better.

Supreme Court Cases Set for Trial.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 22.—J. J. Murphy, Clerk of the Supreme Court, today set cases for hearing as follows:

State of Oregon vs. O'Day and L. Tarpley, Montgomery vs. Smith, December 2.

Miller vs. Homaker, Knight vs. Homaker, December 3.

Pacific Coast Biscuit Company vs. J. Dugger, December 4.

Singer Manufacturing Company vs. Driver, December 5.

Portland Man Gets the Contract.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—A contract has been awarded to Fred A. Rickson, of Portland, for tearing down the old Indian school building at Umatilla and replacing the same with a brick structure to accommodate 125 pupils. The contract price of this work is $7982.

Pioneer of Douglas County.

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 22.—A. Love, a pioneer of Douglas County, died near Wilbur today, aged 81 years. He left three sons.

FIRST TRAIN PULLS IN

WASHINGTON & OREGON COMES PUFFING INTO VANCOUVER.

Freight Will Be Carried to Kalama at Once—Line Is Sure to Be Extended to Portland.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 22.—The first locomotive and construction train over the Washington & Oregon Railway pulled into the city limits at about 3 o'clock this afternoon. This does not mean, however, that the road between here and Kalama has been completed. Only a few miles between Lewis River and Fulida, in Clark County, has been ballasted, and it will be some time before the remainder of the line can be ballasted. There are also two steel bridges to be completed on the line—one across Salmon Creek, which will be finished about February 1, and the other across Lewis River, which will not be in condition for trains to cross before March 1.

It is the purpose of the management, however, to begin carrying freight over the line at once, and to put passenger trains in operation some time next month, temporary crossings having been provided across Lewis River and Salmon Creek.

Manager Rice says the extension of the road to Portland by means of a bridge across the Columbia at this point is a practical certainty. Congress will be asked to grant a franchise for the bridge at the coming session, and as soon as this authority is obtained the work of construction will be commenced.

NESTOR OF THE WALLA WALLA VALLEY DEMOCRACY

J. C. MARCKLEY.

PERRY, Wash., Nov. 22.—In Perry resides J. C. Marckley, the nestor of the Walla Walla Valley Democracy. He was born in Illinois in 1823. He came to Portland via Salt Lake and down the Umatilla River in 1850, where he worked at carpentering two years for McDonall & Higgings. From there he went to The Dalles, and helped to construct the military post under Quartermaster Forsythe and Captain Jourdan. Thence he changed his location to Rock Creek, B. C., and the Okanogan country and Kootenai. Fortune not smiling upon him, he entered the cattle business, finally selling out to Joe Freeman (Portuguese Joe), and purchased the Palouse ferry, on Snake River, where he has lived since. Mr. Marckley is a stalwart Democrat, and his advice is always considered in the councils of his party, which he is ever ready to assist financially. He has an independent fortune, and his purse is always open for charitable purposes. He is universally loved and respected throughout the Walla Walla Valley.

GOVERNOR MAY PARDON THEM.

Three Murderers Likely to Be Set Free About Christmas Time.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 22.—It is probable that Governor John R. Rogers will about Christmas time commute or shorten the sentences of three men now serving time in the state penitentiary at Walla Walla, having been convicted of murder.

One of them is John Hurn, who, with his mother, was sent to prison for life from Walla Walla for having, in territorial days, set fire to their home to recover insurance money. An inmate of the house was burned to death. Hurn's mother, Mrs. Nancy Piles, died of consumption recently, after having been pardoned. Hurn's wife and son live somewhere in California.

Harry Miler, known as convict 400, sent up from Tacoma for life for killing his room-mate, is one of the men likely to be pardoned. He said when convicted that he came home and found his room-mate rifling his trunk. They had a struggle, and the room-mate tried to kill Miller. The latter overpowered and killed him.

James Robinson, of Snohomish, who is now 70 years of age, had trouble 12 years ago with a neighbor. The latter had him down, and was standing over him with an axe. Robinson's son and another boy came along. They had been hunting. In response to Robinson's cries they shot and killed the neighbor. Robinson went to jail for 19 years. The boys also served terms, but were later pardoned. One violated the parole law and was returned to jail.

The trial Judge and Prosecuting Attorney in each case have recommended executive action in favor of the prisoners.

CHILD RETURNED TO GUARDIAN.

Supreme Court Rules Against a Washington Mother.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 22.—A case that has agitated the Superior Court of Thurston County and the Supreme Court was settled this evening by the latter body. Several weeks ago Mrs. Esther M. Grant made application to the Supreme Court for a writ of habeas corpus for the possession of her infant son, Gilbert M. Grant, who has been in the possession of Thomas N. Prather, of this county, for several months past, having been placed there by the boy's father, because of the alleged fact that the mother was mentally and physically incapable of caring for him. The higher court referred the matter to the Superior Court for the taking of testimony. The trial Judge finally reported in favor of the mother having the child. The father then forcibly took possession of the child from its temporary guardian, and was summoned to appear to answer for contempt of the Supreme Court. At this juncture the court made Sheriff Mills guardian of the child, and since then the Sheriff has had the baby in charge. This evening the Supreme Court issued an order to the Sheriff commanding him to return the child to Prather, the former guardian, without costs to either party to the long-drawn-out contest.

ORDERED TO HONOLULU.

Chief Surgeon Girard Will Soon Leave Vancouver Barracks.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Nov. 22.—Colonel Joseph B. Girard, chief surgeon of the Department of the Columbia, has been ordered to Honolulu to take charge of the medical department there. Dr. Gerard has been in this department a little over five months, having been ordered from St. Louis to Vancouver Barracks upon the death of Louis Tesson.

Fielding L. Poindexter, of Virginia, who was a private in the Second Oregon Volunteers, has been appointed a Second Lieutenant-at-Large in the Artillery.

Major William F. Tucker, paymaster, has been granted a leave of absence for one month, beginning December 1.

Captain Walter A. Bethel, besides his duties as Acting Judge-Advocate, will take charge of the engineer office at these headquarters.

Another Daily Paper for Olympia.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 22.—Olympia is to have another daily paper—the Recorder—January 1. The publisher will be J. Allan Hornsby, a well-known newspaper man, who is backed by a number of well-known citizens.

$10,000 Cash Bail Forfeited.

EVERETT, Wash., Nov. 22.—In the Superior Court today a decree by default was rendered by Judge Denney to plaintiff in the case of the Puget Sound Reduction Company vs. H. G. Klinse, accused of defrauding the smelter of $2907 33 by the manipulation of low-grade gold ore so as to make it assay many times above its real value. The defendant also forfeited $10,000 cash bail. The defendant sold the reduction company three carloads of ore by sample from his properties in Colorado.

Pleaded Guilty to Horsestealing.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 22.—John M. Toy, who was arrested at Grass Valley, Or., Wednesday, and brought here last evening to answer to the charge of horsestealing, pleaded guilty to the charge in the Justice Court here today. He was held to answer in the Superior Court, where he says it is also his intention to enter a plea of guilty. He will probably be arraigned in the higher court tomorrow.

High Water Causes Boom to Break.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Nov. 22.—Last night's heavy downpour of rain caused high water in the Chehalis River, resulting today in the boom of Chandler Bros., at Dryad, breaking. Fourteen hundred cords of shingle bolts will come down to Chehalis as a result. The indications are tonight that E. A. Frost's shingle mill here will go out before morning.

Rural Delivery Routes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Three free rural delivery routes will go into operation at Spokane, Wash., January 1, with R. B. Payne, E. E. Van Hock and G. B. Powell as carriers. These routes will serve a population of 1600, and will discontinue offices at Paradise and Moran.

Kelso Brevities.

KELSO, Wash., Nov. 22.—The heavy rains of last night and today will cause the streams in this vicinity to rise enough to allow of the floating of at least 20,000,000 feet of logs.

H. D. Reeves, of Port Townsend, Wash., will establish a creamery here.

Hoquiam Improvement.

HOQUIAM, Wash., Nov. 22.—Good progress is being made on the hall being constructed here by the Commercial Club. The hall will be 80x100 feet in size, and two stories high.

Four Galapagos Turtles Hatched.

BERKELEY, Cal., Nov. 22.—Four Galapagos turtles, which are the only ones of their specie in the United States, have been hatched at the Agricultural building of the University of California. Two years ago a pair of turtles were presented to the university, but it was only four months ago that the female deposited eggs in the earth. The grown turtles weigh 400 and 500 pounds.

Freshet Carries Out a Dam.

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 22.—Heavy rains in this vicinity last night caused all the streams to rise, and indications tonight are favorable for more Oregon mist. The west end of Riley & Coad's dam in the Creole, near here, was carried out, and it is expected that more damage will result before the freshet is over. The dam carried out afforded power for a sash and door and a grist mill.

Musical Recital.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Nov. 22.—An excellent recital was rendered in Marsh Hall chapel tonight under the auspices of the conservatory of music by Miss Ruth Rogers, instrumental instructor; Miss Burr, violin; Mrs. Frank Raley, of Portland, vocalist. Notwithstanding the unfavorable weather the attendance was large, and each number evoked hearty applause.

Officers Brand Reports as False.

PENDLETON, Nov. 22.—Officers brand as false the reports that many cattle "rustlers" infest the country south of Pendleton. It is not true that a reign of terror is on in the range country. On the contrary, stock is unusually secure from predatory gangs of thieves that once operated throughout Eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Pickets Enjoined.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 22.—Judge S. W. Smith, of the Court of Common Pleas, today issued a temporary restraining order in the application of the Anchor Carriage Company, enjoining its striking employes from all acts of violence, and from all interference with the business of the company. The order is made specific, and does not prohibit peaceable persuasion to induce workmen to refuse to take the places of strikers, but it prohibits all picketing and like measures tending to have the effect of intimidation.

MOODY ALMOST DECIDED

AS TO MAN HE FAVORS FOR POSTMASTER AT BAKER CITY.

Contest Has Narrowed Down to Three Men—Appointment Will Soon Be Made.

BAKER CITY, Nov. 22.—Representative Moody announced this evening that he had just about decided upon the man who would receive his recommendation for the appointment of Postmaster at Baker City. Mr. Moody declined to give any names. He did say, however, that the race lay between three men. The number of candidates is about 15. To those who have followed the contest closely, it is believed the three men are B. T. Potter, the present incumbent; W. J. Lachner and J. Moomaw. Asked when the appointment would be made, Mr. Moody said: "Shortly after Congress meets. I will confer with Senators Mitchell and Simon on reaching Washington, and we will at once decide the matter."

Mr. Moody arrived in Baker City late last night. This forenoon he met the several candidates for the Postmastership. He then conferred with the business men, politicians, members of the bar and other prominent Baker City folk. When he had concluded his labors he spoke as heretofore stated, adding by way of explanation:

"I shall not use this position to further my own interests. If the people of Baker City want a man who is opposed to my re-election, I will recommend him. I want the appointment to promote harmony and strength in the Republican ranks of Baker City."

Mr. Moody left for his home at The Dalles this evening. He will leave for Washington, D. C., Monday.

WORK FOR THE 1905 FAIR

Let It Not Be Said There Are Any Laggards in Oregon.

The Ontario (Or.) Argus prints the following clear-cut article on the Lewis and Clark Centennial:

It is safe to say that it is not even yet generally known to the people of that portion of our country, known in the days of Jefferson as the Louisiana Purchase that a great fair in honor of the explorers Lewis and Clark of said region is now in serious contemplation, so little have the newspapers of this vast territory had to say about it. This is not so much because they do not intend to take an active interest "later on" and labor for the highest and most gratifying success of the fair as it is due to a marked peculiarity of human nature. Enthusiasm is as much of an element of success in great public demonstrations as executive ability and business sense; and enthusiasm is about as hard to get on long time, even with absolute security, as the necessary cash itself, and possibly harder. Nineteen-hundred-five sounds like the day of judgment to most people. No one thinks of laying aside a dollar now with which to pay a debt in 1905. Why? Debtor and creditor both shall have "gone glimmering," perchance, long before that time. But this is not the way to look even the common affairs of life in the face, much less a great experiment. Enthusiasm will "come to the rescue" as the good work proceeds. In fact, the healthy enthusiasm that naturally comes of well-directed efforts in a great cause fraught with far-reaching results is best because most lasting, and freest from reaction and its discouragements.

What Newspapers Should Do.

Our newspapers then should take up the work in a systematic way. Let us not delay. At present Eastern papers are making more note of the coming event than the papers more directly interested. Let us begin before we discourage them. Already they have given us an earnest support of the advertising we may expect at the hands of their generous and able writers.

Let everybody favor the fair, and favor no other in the meantime. Let every one become informed as to what is to be done, and inform his friends in the East through the natural channel of correspondence. Mail them copies of your home papers frequently, or, better still, arrange with your editor for an extra subscription for them at reduced rates. Every family in Oregon—the whole Northwest, for that matter—should secure for 7 cents the beautiful 62-page Oregonian Handbook and send it to some friend or prospective visitor to our Coast.

This is a work in which every one can do something. We need not wait for men with their millions. We need not wait for legislative enactments. Think of the vast aggregate of lasting results if each individual in this great West, including the very school children, does all he can, and in a systematic way, for the next four years. Think of its effect on our undeveloped resources, on our schools, our society, the many conveniences and comforts of life. This requires no large amount of capital, and exacts but a small portion of each one's time. It requires no great financiering. Leave that to the magnates. Do not worry about the financial success of the great fair. Let the stockholders do that unpleasant and unnecessary thing. Do not worry about the banks. Let us trust to their sense of fairness to do their part. Do not worry about the railroads. They will put more into the enterprise than all other sources combined by reduced excursion rates, the circulation of many tons of carefully compiled statistics of resources, every species of handsomely illustrated literature—in fine, all that goes to make up four years of advertising on an exceptionally grand scale. Let us then do our duty as the great common people, the salt of the earth, says Holy Writ.

What People Should Do.

What you and I need to do is to wake up to the importance of the great enterprise and show our individual loyalty to a most deserving cause, and our devotion as never before to every interest of our native or adopted West. Let us be ashamed, rather, to say we are doing nothing in honor of the great explorers Lewis and Clark. The Northwest has comparatively few incompetents, and we want to see laggards as scarce for the next four years as hens' teeth. It will probably be decades before such another opportunity will present itself for the united effort of the whole West. We have long needed a slogan and a common rallying-point. First by legislative enactment, and now by common consent, we may say, Portland, Or., is the common rallying-point, and our slogan is the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition, and in this the whole Western Empire will take part. We will simply co-operate and do collectively what we should have done long since individually—get our friends to come and see our country and its boundless resources, its actualities, its possibilities; come and see its people, its schools and churches, its business methods; come and see our fertile prairies and the storehouses of our rich hills and mountains; come and enjoy our unrivaled scenery, our beautiful skies and restful nights; come and taste as delicious fruit as e'er blessed Pomona's fairest garden and Ceres' golden fields; come and taste the ozone of our pure atmosphere, taste our great variety of mineral waters and taste the pure waters fresh from the cool crystal fountains of the everlasting hills. We want them to come and see our lovely mountain streams and our beautiful rivers that, as they go "softly calling to the sea," are likewise imploring capital and enterprise to harness their powers with the lightning and turn their wasting energies to the account of man.

In all this let us remember that one visitor to our 1905 fair is worth more to the Northwest than 10, or possibly 20, times the number visiting the great Eastern fairs could reasonably be to the overcapitalized, densely crowded East. Let us remember that our direct financial gains will far exceed theirs in proportion to amount invested; let us remember that our increased trade with the Orient in consequence of this great exposition will certainly compare favorably with the increased trade of the East with the South American states due to her great fairs; finally, let us remember that the indirect benefits accruing to any section of the East from her mammoth fairs is inconsequential when compared with the indirect benefits we shall receive from the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition throughout the entire West. The four years of systematic pre-centennial advertising, and, better still, the many years of post-centennial publishing, in store for us from the many thousands of delighted visitors, the increased population, capital, energy, new enterprises and social advantages are simply incomparable and incalculable. Then here's to you, boys, for the greatest possible enduring, substantial success of the "Where Rolls the Oregon, the Lewis and Clark Centennial American Pacific Exposition and Oriental Fair."

NOT A PANACEA.

Aims of Direct Legislation Defined by a Supporter.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 21.—(To the Editor.)—While the writer agrees with much you have said in your articles, appearing in the daily of the 18th inst., relating to direct legislation, yet your statement hardly presents the views of the members of the league. None of them has an idea that direct legislation is a panacea for all political ills. In fact their presentation of the advantage which they hope to secure from the enactment of the proposed constitutional amendment has been so mildy drawn that it has been a question whether a more vigorous campaign would not rouse popular interest to a greater degree. Be that as it may, we have no desire to play such a part, and if we secure the passage of the law, it will be because the people honestly believe that it will prove an improvement over the present conditions.

We think that the people are safer with the veto power in their own hands, as it will prevent the passage of vicious legislation to a certain extent, and will correct some bad laws after passage. We do not believe the referendum will be used extensively, for legislators will hesitate to pass laws which they know will be disapproved, if referred to the people. The interests which push laws for private or corporate benefit will be careful in spending time and money to secure the passage of such laws, if the people can reverse them.

As to the initiative, a law will be urgently demanded before that part of the law will be used, for it requires considerable effort to secure the necessary names to a petition.

We think that the law will give the press more influence, because it will open a field for discussion outside partisan politics. I think the assertion is safe, that no law can stand under its operation, which is attacked by a number of influential papers.

As to the expense, we had a reference of four proposed changes at our last election. The additional expense can readily be determined from the cost in that instance. C. C. HOGUE.

Complained of Excessive Duty.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Fifty per cent duty was assessed at this port on a sculpture imported recently by H. C. Havemeyer. It was a "Madonna and Child," by Mino de Fiesola, of the 15th century, and was invoiced at 60,000 lire, or $10,968. Mr. Havemeyer appealed to the board of classification of the general appraisers, saying the duty was excessive. Most of the figure of the Madonna is in alto-relievo, but the head and neck and the child are "in the round." The board heretofore has held that the terms "statues" and "statuary" are limited to figures in full relief or "in the round" altogether. This view, however, was controverted at a recent hearing by Jonathan Scott Hartley and other experts. The board found that the article was statuary, and under the agreement with Italy it will come in at only 15 per cent duty.

Plea for Stricter Game Laws.

SALEM, Nov. 21.—(To the Editor.)—An Oregonian writer marvels at the small proportion of native game birds seen in the market as compared with Mongolian pheasants. The native pheasant, grouse and quail are almost extinct, and the Chinese pheasant will soon follow them if our game laws are not made more stringent. Most of us remember when the native grouse (the best bird known), pheasant and quail were abundant. And in their day we had few practical hunters or trained dogs, and but few hunted, and they with the old muzzle-loading gun, and generally without a dog. Now a multitude, with modern shotguns and practiced dogs, cover the land during the open season. Hunters come to the upper valley from California, from Portland and many of the towns of Washington, and some of them have remained for a good part of the season. With a sixteen-cartridge gun and a dog, what chance for escape has a pheasant, or what chance is there for one of a flock of a dozen scared up. If it is desirable to preserve the Chinese pheasant, the open season must be shortened, market hunting, the dog and the repeating shotgun cut out. The latter is prohibited in California. SPORTSMAN.

Postponed at Clark's Request.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 22.—The preliminary hearing of G. P. Clark, the expert accountant, who was arrested and brought here from Salem yesterday, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, was postponed today until tomorrow to allow Clark an opportunity to procure witnesses.

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