

### CAPT. SPENCER IS MEMBER ONCE MORE

RENEWED AS ONE OF THE PORT OF PORTLAND COMMISSIONERS AND RESUMES HIS DUTY—MANY NEW RULES MADE IN DRYDOCK REGULATIONS.

By a unanimous vote of the board Captain E. W. Spencer was reinstated yesterday afternoon as a member of the port of Portland commission. At a previous meeting his position was declared vacant on the ground that he failed to attend the monthly gatherings of the organization.

Captain Spencer thanked the members of the commission for their action in reinstating him and assured them that he would make it a point to be more punctual in his attendance hereafter. In explanation of his past inactivity in this respect he stated that he had not received written notices of the meeting dates, which Clerk Mason sent through the mail, sufficiently in advance to permit of his attending. He also declared that the most of his time was occupied last month in getting his steamer off the sands in the Columbia river. After Spencer's reinstatement on the board, Captain Pease requested to be relieved from duty on the auditing committee, a position to which he had been appointed to fill a vacancy by reason of Spencer's absence. The request was granted and Captain Spencer was again placed on the committee.

After getting back on the board Spencer asked Clerk Mason to explain to him why it is that the Pacific Construction company has been using a barge belonging to the port of Portland and no record of the matter on the minutes. He also wanted to know if the barge is being paid for.

The chairman replied that the company leased the barge from himself and Commissioner Driscoll and that the commission is being paid for it at the rate of \$5 a day. He explained that it was an oversight that the matter was not placed on the records.

Many New Rules Made. After considerable discussion, several new rules were added to the already long list of the drydock rules and regulations. In substance the first one adopted provides that no contractor shall have authority to move the keel blocks or any of the gear of the dock, without receiving special permission from the superintendent, and then he must move them at his own expense.

The second new rule does away with all charges for vessels which are on the drydock on Sundays and holidays, unless work is being done on them at such times. In that event the regular rates will be charged.

Another rule was adopted making it optional with the commission as to whether or not the owner of a scow will be allowed to keep his vessel on the dock until all of her repairs have been completed. According to this rule if a large ship should happen along and her owners were desirous of having her drydocked at once, the commission reserves the right to order the scow launched before the repairs to her have been completed and a place made vacant for the ship. When the latter is taken off, the scow will again be placed on without any additional charge. Scow owners will be supplied with printed slips to this effect. In support of this measure it was explained that no particular harm would result to the scow by launching her at such a time, and it might be the means of very materially increasing the earning capacity of the dock.

It was decided not to allow any of the various contractors to store their tools at the drydock. At the request of Henry Hewett, Lloyd's agent, the owners of the British ship Beacon Rock, will not be

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### AT THE THEATRES

MATINEE AT THE COLUMBIA. Tomorrow at 2:15 the Columbia Theatre company will appear in a matinee performance of "Captain Lettarblair" at popular prices. It is safe to say that the players will be greeted by the largest audience of the week. Manager Welch has a large, roomy theatre, its popularity has already been demonstrated. With ample seating capacity, the prices for matinees have been reduced so that the comfort of the Columbia theatre and the high class plays produced are within the reach of all. Captain Lettarblair is an entertaining comedy, there are no scenes of tragic sadness, and every matinee-goer will leave the theatre cheerful and contented.

A LA TOSCA MATINEE. There will be a matinee performance of "La Tosca" at the Columbia tomorrow afternoon and the last offering of this famous Sardou tragedy will be made in the evening. It is a play which will appeal to every matinee patron, for it combines all the elements of the dramatic art. The central figure, "La Tosca," is an Italian girl, who, for love of her sweetheart, betrays the presence of a revolutionist to the police of Napoleon III, only to have the man she loves for the deed. In order to save him she gives a mock assent to a base proposition of the Baron Scarpia and then, finding the Baron has treacherously deceived her, she slays him and dies ridged with pleasure. The plot of "La Tosca" is one of the most thrilling imaginable.

"LORD AND LADY ALGER." To follow "Captain Lettarblair" with a play equally brilliant, is the triumph that Manager Welch will achieve at the Columbia next week. "Lord and Lady Alger," Pinero's great comedy, will open at Sunday's matinee, and it will show to the public the full strength of the Columbia Stock company. The play appeals to all theatre-goers; to the lover of keen, incisive lines; to the connoisseur whose eye is delighted by beautiful stage pictures; to the matinee girl who is thrilled by a well-told love story, and to the gallery gods who will be won by Jockey Mawley. There is already a large advance sale.

BIG GIAMONDA CAST. The greatest of all Baker productions will be given next week, commencing with the Sunday matinee, when the Melbourne MacDowell company is to present Sardou's "Giamonda." The cast

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alone calls for 60 people on the stage, while the scenery will be among the finest ever offered in any theatre in this city. This will be the first time that "Giamonda" has been attempted, on such a large scale in the northwest. The play is dramatic to a degree and there are few plays on the English stage having a plot of deeper intensity or requiring such extraordinary scenic effects.

"MICHAEL STROGOFF." An inside history of the civil and military policy which will give one a hint as to the reason for the wonderful staying power of the Russians in the present war with Japan is to be seen at the Empire theatre commencing Sunday afternoon, when the Wiedemann Stock company will present "Michael Strogoff, or the Courier of the East." Tom Wiedemann, Nellie Wiedemann, Tom B. Loftus, Frank Fanning, Russell Reed, James Fulton, Meta Maraky, Georgia Francis, Violet Ross, Charles Clary and all the other favorites in this popular theatrical organization will be in the cast.

AMATEUR NIGHT AT ARCADE. Tonight will be amateur night at the Arcade theatre and this feature has become so well known and well liked by the theatre-goers of Portland that large audiences are sure to attend the three performances. A number of talented non-professionals have made application to the management for an opportunity to display their ability and the audience will be the judges of their merit. These amateur acts are of course in addition to the full regular program at each performance.

AT THE MARQUAN. "A Texas Steer" is regarded as by far the best production from Charles Hoyt's pen. It is a jump from a Texas frontier to the national capital, the amusing side of both localities being mirrored. Many well tempered shafts are hurled at political shams and absurdities. This clever comedy comes to the Marquam Grand Friday and Saturday nights, September 16 and 17. A bargain matinee will be given Saturday.

KELOEY SISTERS GREAT. Three soubrettes who can all sing and dance well, appear at each performance at the Star theatre this week. They are known to the public as the Keloey sisters and to theatrical managers as a trio of the cleverest entertainers that ever sought an engagement. They are making one of the hits of the season this week. The clever contortion work of the sister with the bushy hair creates much laughter.

GOLD NIGHT AT LYRIC. This week's bill at the Lyric is attracting crowded houses at each performance. The bill is well balanced and a variety of vaudeville acts that is well calculated to please the most varied audience. Tonight \$15 in gold is given away—\$5 at each performance.

REJOICE MURDER. Music that's light, refreshing, magic that mystifies the keenest eye and the brightest brain are at the Bijou this week. "Venus," the great opera of Zuni's Broadway Burlesquers, is a delightful place worth seeing. The four Preclados are Spaniards, who are famous for their magic.

Chicago and has played to crowded houses everywhere. This will be the first time it will have been seen at Portland. Not only is the play itself of merit, but it will be presented by a very excellent company.

THREE MORE PERFORMANCES. The Wiedemann Stock company will present Dion Boucicault's great emotional drama of the old south in slavery days, "The Octoroon," three times more this week—tonight, tomorrow matinee at 2 p. m. and tomorrow night. The Empire has been crowded at each performance this week and the grand old play has scored a distinct success. "Michael Strogoff" will commence at the Sunday matinee.

LAST CHANCE TO SEE KEANE. Tonight, tomorrow's matinee and tomorrow night will be the last opportunities to see Keane at Cordray's theatre in his splendid portrayal of the difficult double role of Jekyll and Hyde. When it is remembered that Mr. Keane is still a very young man his study of the double character is one that deserves the highest praise.

### PEACH CROP OF SOUTHERN OREGON

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Ashland, Or., Sept. 8.—The heavy run on the packers and shippers of the Ashland peach crop is over, though the deliveries are still considerable and will continue to be large for a few weeks yet. The Ashland Fruit association is receiving on an average a car a day now, the varieties being late Crawford and Muir. The Ashland crop has been large this year. The association alone has handled 22,000 boxes of early Crawford and 1900 Alexanders and 1900 Hale's Early. The stock has been excellent but some varieties were inferior in size owing to the long duration of the dry weather. The early Crawford have not been as firm as in former years and hence would not stand long distance shipments so well, but there is no complaint as to the marketing of the peaches and good prices have ruled. The Ashland association has sold cars lots straight at the Ashland depot for distant shipments. The price net has been 45, 50 and 55 cents per box according to grade. Less than car lots of choice peaches sell at higher prices much of the time. Shipments have been made to Missouri river points. Not many peaches have been shipped by the association to Portland this season. Seven carloads have been sold in San Francisco up to date. A noticeable thing in this peach district is that there is manifestly no increase of acreage of peach orchards, if indeed, there has been no falling off. With a growing local consumption and expanding distant market there must be an advance in the general level of prices for this fruit until new orchards again enter the field. With the growth of the city some of the best orchards have been converted into residence blocks within the past two years.

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