## IN THE COMMITTEE

Action Upon the Columbia River Improvement Bill.

To Complete the Cascade Locks and Build the Dalles Portage.

THE CONTRACT SYSTEM TO COME.

The Cascade Will Receive an Appropri ation but not So the Dalles Portage.

WASHINGTON, March 18.-Senator Dolph's bill to complete work on the Columbia river and Senator Mitchell's for a boat railway around The Dalles have both been made special orders for next week. These bills will pass the senate, but the house will not take any action on them. It will be impossible even to secure a favorable report from the house committee on rivers and harbors, but it is a good thing to have the senate committed to these great measures being done under the contract syshouse will look with favor on contracting these great works, and the senate will be ready to take favorable action. In the house rivers and harbors committee, Mr. Hermann moved to put in an appropriation for a portage railway around the dalles. This was defeated The only members voting for it were Clarke, Blanchard and Mr. Hermann. Then Chairman Blanchard called another to the chair and moved to appropriate the sum secured by Mr. Herman for continuing the work on the cascades and applying it for a portage railway around the dalles. Only two members of the committee, Blanchard and Clarke, voted for this motion, and it consequently stands where it was before. The cascades will receive the appropriation, but there will be no portage railway around The Dalles. It has been a hard fight for the Oregon representative, because the opposition shown by Pennover, and his communications to the committee have made it very hard for him to contend against the large democratic majority on this important committee.

## Portugal is Bankrupt.

Paris, March 18 .- The bankruptcy of Portugal is almost an official act. Foreign experts maintain that the national treasury is empty, that the April coupons will not be paid, and that pended for three years. Paris bankers do not believe that the payment will ever be resumed. The bank of "Portugal will assist several banks, owing to whose weakness the financial crisis is due. The manager of the Bank of Commerce has left the city. His whereabouts are unknown.

## Valuable Horses.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 18 .-The great \$20,000 stallion race, booked for the August meeting here, has been declared off. Word has been received from C. W. Williams, of Independence Ia., the owner of Allertion, declining to enter the race. He says he is afraid, ehould he bring Allertion here and enter him in a race with Axtel against him, the other horses would crowd him in favor of Axtel. He will, therefore not take Allertion away from home until he has met Axtel alone. Senator Stanford has refused the \$100,000 offered for the stallion Advertiser.

## A Sneak Thief.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 20 .- One Joseph came to Chehalis a couple of weeks ago representing himself as a newspaper man desirous of starting a paper. He obtained promises of assistance from various responsible parties, and ordered a newspaper plant. On its arrival here the firm drew on him for the price, about \$450. He had left the country and board bills behind. Before leaving he forged the name of John Dobsan, to a check which was cashed by E. W. Prigmore, of Pe-Ell.

## All Saved but Twenty-Five.

HALIFAX, March 18 .- The captain of the mail steamer Conscript, who arrived this morning from St. Johns, N. F., states that out of 200 unfortunate sailors who were carried to sea in small boats by the breaking up of the ice, all have been accounted for but twentyfive. Of this number, fifteen bodies were recovered by rescuers and the remainder have never been heard from.

## To Unseat the Democrat.

Washington, March 18.-The house elections committee has decided to seat Noyes, the republican contestant from New York, and unseat Rockwell, dem.

At a special election held in Arlington on the 19th the city council was allowed the collieries of this district shut down covered a hen hatching a nest of eggs to contract an indebtedness of \$10,000 today until further notice. How long which she had laid during a long railfor a water and electric light plant.

Scalp Hunting.

WASHINGTON, March 21 .- Bank Examiner W. H. Heald, for Oregon and Washington, and receiver Chase, of 'the Spokane National bank, will be bounced out of office. Charges were made against them some time ago by the members of the Washington delegation, and recently one of the best experts of the comptroller's office in Washington was sent out to Washington to investigate. It is not yet known who will be appointed to OTHERS MADE SPECIAL ORDERS. Heald's position. Mr. Bird, of Tacoma, has been recommended for the receivership at Spokane. The bank examiner will have to be indorsed by both Washington and Oregon as that is his district. The receiver will probably be appointed upon the recommendation of the Washington delegation.

#### A Row Imminent.

New YORK, March 21 .- There is a arge amount of talk about the prospect of a Drayton-Borrowe duel. It is stated that Drayton's brother and two of his influential friends are authority for the statement that Drayton does not know of the recent developments of the case. The result is that the friends of both Drayton and Borrower, chartered tugs today, and as soon as the Majestic is sighted there will be a race down the bay for the steamship. The Drayton tug will contain his brother, two Philadelphia friends and a number of prominent New Yorkers. On the Borrowe tug will be a crowd of his friends. Drayton's brother, it is said, proposes to inform him of all that has occurred. If hostilities are not indulged in then, tem; that when the time comes the Drayton may have something to tell his enemy. Borrowe's friends propose to clash with the Drayton faction while doing so. It is expected that a very lively row will take place on the Majestic on her way to this city from the lower bay, as the result of the people on these improvements from year to year. the two tugs getting aboard her.

#### Home Rule for Scotland.

LONDON, March 21.-All the liberal lish members, including some conserva- cessful. tives, approve the bill introduced in parliament on Saturday for the creation of a Scotttsh legislative body. The bill its similarity to the Irish question. The bill establishes in Scotland a legislature consisting of the queen and a Scotch legislative body, to enact laws for Scotland, with the exception of matters relating to the imperial administration; all bills passed require assent of the queen to become a law; in a question of jurisdiction between the English and Scottish bodies the matter is to be referred to the judicial committee of the privy council; the legislature is authorized to impose taxes, other than customs or excise duties, and create a consolidated fund separate from that of the United Kingdom; Scottish tablishments shall be proportionate to placed under the contract system for P. Sullivan, McElhaney, Wm. O'Day, contributions to maintain corporal esthose payable by England and Wales. The second portion of the bill treats of the judicial government and provides that all existing civil and criminal courts shall be maintained, subject, however, to abolition or alteration, and judges may be removed by the legislatures on a requisition from the queen to do so. The bill provides that the power and authority of the Imperial parliament shall not be diminished or restrained by anything herein contained: The present bill is worthy of comparison to Mr. Gladstone's first home rule bill.

## Eating up the Grub.

Libu, March 20.-A banquet was given ast night in honor of the Americans accompanying the steamer Indiana. The American consul, the officers of the Indiana, the members of the relief society any other arrangement, and the results and all the city authorities were present. Captain Sargent was presented with a not only deserves approbation at home silver souvenir cup. Felicitous speeches but promotion in Washington. were made by the Russians and responded to by the Americans. At a luncheon today an illuminated address was presented to the Americans. A dinner was given last evening to the crew of the Indiana. The Indiana sailed this afternoon on her return voy-

## The Bulldog and Lynx Fight.

Carson, Nev., March 20 .- The bulldog and lynx fight came off today at the race track some time before the advertised hour in order to evade the officers, who were to be on hand to stop the proceedings. The instant the animals saw each other the lock was deadly. The bulldog took hold on the right foreleg, and held on until the lynx died. The fight lasted nearly an hour. The dog was frightfully torn by its atagonist, and bled profusely. Afterwards he broke away and cleared out a number of dogs in Chinatown. Only a few spectators were present, owing to the rushed proceedings.

## Fur Seal Plentiful.

SEATTLE, March 21.-The Portland steamer Michigan reports a big school of fur seals north of the Columbia river. A schooner was in the midst of a school of them, where the sea seemed fairly alive. She was drifting along leisurely, having six small boats out, and the crew had good success shooting the seals.

## Collies all Shut Down.

MAHANOY CITY, Pa., March 18 .- All the suspension will last is not known.

## HERMANN GETS THERE.

The Appropriation Bill Ready for Congressional Action.

OREGON LIBERALLY PROVIDED FOR.

The Senior House Member From the

Pacific Coast Heard From.

STILL SOME HOPE FOR THE DALLES.

The Billion Congress Nearly Equalled --- All for Works of National Importance.

WASHINGTON, March 20 .- The contract system of public improvement for the waterways is becoming very popular, after being tried successfully in two or three places. In the last river and harbor bill, the Sault St Marie improvements and the Galveston harbor were put under the contract system. The river and harbor bill, which has recently been practically completed, will place the Mississippi river improvements under the contract system, also the deep water channel system of the great lakes, as well as the Hudson river and the Mobile, Ala., harbor improvements. put him on his guard, and they may This is a matter of great importance, as it insures the continuation of these works, whether a river and harbor bill first named, clad in fool uniform, consistshould pass or not, as an appropriation ing of the very blue coat worn by Brian will be made in the regular bills for

The people of The Dalles have often asked that the contract system be applied to the construction of the cascade locks. members from Scotland and many Eng- It is hoped now the effort may be suc-

#### Later and More Important.

WASHINGTON, March 21 .- You may will attract general attention, owing to give Representative Hermann credit for securing the greatest results, under the circumstances, ever yet secured. The river and harbor bill is now completed and is ordered reported to the house. The total allowance now for Oregon is \$1,170,000 and nearly equals that of the "billion dollar congress,", although the aggregate of the present bill, is about \$20,214,000 or less than that of the last bill as it was reported from the river and harbor committee. Then it was \$20,-932,445. The state of Washington receives an aggregate allowance of \$84,000, as against \$19,000 of last congress. The canal and locks at the cascades of the Columbia receives nearly \$500,000 and is completion, the secretary of war being authorized to contract for the whole E. P. Ash. The latter is a very promiwork, for which \$1,310,000 is estimated, exclusive of the sum now allowed in the A conspicuous feature of the evening present bill, which becomes immediately available. The same language is used reel" Mr. McElhaney and Mrs. Sullivan as applies to the works at Galveston, Baltimore and Philadephia harbors and the twain was simply perfect, holding the Sault Ste Marie canal, etc. Under the spectators spellbound. "Like dew the contract system it is expected that on the gowan lying, was the 'fa' of their ships can pass through the cascade fairy feet." The evening's entertainment canal and locks of the Columbia within was also enlivened by the singing of Dr. two years. Mr. Hermann made a gallant and very persistent as well as discreet struggle for the concession to by his successful rendition of "Joe Bowhis state. He firmly insisted that if like ers." In fact, taken all in all, St. Patprivileges were bestowed on any other rick's was harmed in the observance, great works of the nation, it must be not in the breach, and was the date of understood that the cascade locks should be counted in. He stubbornly resisted of his arguments have proven that he

## An Illinois Scrap.

Chicago, March 20 .- Con Doyle knocked out Wiley Evans in the eleventh | magnificent stock country, and says that round this morning, winning the stakes of \$1000 and 75 per cent of the gate receipts. The battle was fought a short distance from the city in the presence of 250 sports, who had to light blazing bonfires to keep warm.

## Chinese Boycott.

San Francisco, March 20 .- The Wah Yip Hong society has declared a boycott of the Karluk Packing company, and is using strenuous efforts to prevent Chinese from entering into any contracts with that company, because Wong Ah Yuen, an employer last year, decamped with the funds. The company does not hold itself responsible for the acts of Wong Ah Yuen, as he had engaged laborers, had been paid the wages due them and he was dealing direct with his

The new Maxim flying machine will be propelled by a light screw making 2,500 revolutions per minute. Its suspending power will be a kite 110 feet long by 40 feet wide. The motive power will be a petroleum condensing engine.

Five century plants, all in bloom, is the interesting and very rare sight now to be seen in Los Angeles in the garden of the Church of Our Lady of All Angels. They are said to be growing about a foot

A gentleman at Eastman, Ga., a day or two ago on opening a freight car disroad journey from another state.

The following telegram was received today, by Col. N. B. Sinnott:

Washington, March 21 .- I have secured, in the river and harbor bill, four hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars for the cascade locks and to complete under the contract system. BINGER HERMANN.

#### The Primary Elections.

The republican primaries held in this city last Saturday were hotly contested and the result was almost a complete victory for the "citizens ticket," which elected twenty-six of the twenty-seven delegates. The delegation is beyond cavil a good one, taken as a whole, and is perhaps as representative as it could of the successful candidates:

East Dalles precinct: E. Campbell, F. Connelly, J. W. Koontz, H. Kuck, F. Grummond, W. J. Roberts, F.

Creighton. Chrisman, M. T. Nolan, B. S. Huntington, C. J. Crandall, Robert Mays,

Thomas N. Joles. West Dalles precinct: J. W. Marquis, A. N. Varney, George W. Runyan, G. B. Halvor, A. A. Urquhart.

Trevett precinct: Wm. Michell, P. Debuff, W. H. Jones, C. L. Phillips, J. M. Patterson, Judd Fish.

#### Cascade Locks Letter.

CASCADE LOCKS, March 19th.

Editor Dalles Chronicle: St. Patricks' Day is an event of the past. The day was observed by our Irish citizens in a manner creditable to all. The chief event of the day was the dress parade, and inspection review, of Prof. Fairview, assisted by F. Leavens. The Boreau at the battle of the Ventury harbor, and carrying at a right shoulder shift a sabre, once the property of Phil Sheridan. Among other things the Professor stated that he would deliver an address. The oration was a splendid effort, in which he was ably assisted by the aforementioned F. Leavens, and three bottles of whiskey. Yet most sad to relate, just before reaching the peroration he was stricken with a sudden shock-or paralyzed, it would seem; an event which dispersed the crowd, leaving the Professor in all his glory-

Sure, Professor, me boy, you're the pride of the town. And a curse on your foes, be they white

black or brown.

I'd fight for you standin'; I'd fight for you lyin'; When you dies, if you rises, I'd fight for

you flyin'. The social dance given in the evening, was well attended, and dancing kept up till the morning light. Among those present was some of our most prominent and exemplary Irish citizens: Messrs. nent young Irish-American from Maine. was the performance of a "rale ould Irish being the participants. The dancing of H. A. Leavens, who succeeded in surrounding his name with a lustrous halo, one of the jolliest little gatherings ever collected in our little burg.

Yours. A private letter from J. O. Warner, late of Nansene, now of Red Lodge,

Mont., informs us that Mr. Warner is much pleased with his new home and intends to remain. He considers it a Frank Malone, a large sheep owner of the Antelope country, in this county, had just visited Red Lodge and the adjacent country and was so well pleased with it that he intends removing his sheep there during the coming summer.

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Jno. M. Cox, of 735 Turk Street, San Francisco, writes: "I have been troubled with attacks of sick-headache for the last three years from one to three times a week. Some time ago I bought two bottles of Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla and have only had one attack since and that was on the second day after I began using it."

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