THE OREGON MIST.

VOL. XXI. ST. HELENS, OREGON, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1903. NO. 2.

PROFESSIONAL.

NOTARY PUBLIC. CONVEYANCING.

J. B. GODFREY,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.
Real Estate and Timber Lands Sold
ABSTRACTS MADE;
ST. HELENS, - - OREGON

S. H. GRUBER,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.
Office with E. E. Quick,
ST. HELENS, : : OREGON.
Will give best personal attention to all legal matters entrusted to me. Will practice in all the State and United States Courts.

W. H. POWELL,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.
DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
ST. HELENS, : : OREGON.

Dr. Edwin Ross,
Physician and Surgeon.
ST. HELENS, OREGON.

Dr. H. R. Cliff,
Physician and Surgeon.
ST. HELENS, OREGON.

Watts & Price,
—DEALERS IN—
Flour and Feed
Choice Groceries
Staple Dry Goods
Best Quality Shoes
Hardware and Notions
Scappoose, - Oregon.

Steamer JOSEPH KELLOGG
Leaves Portland on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 a. m. for *St. Helens, Kalama, Carroll's Point, Rainier and Kelso.*
Arriving at Portland Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2 p. m.

Steamer NORTHWEST
Leaves Portland Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights at at 10 p. m., for the same points mentioned above and Toledo, reaching the latter place at 10 a. m. on the following day. Returning, the boat leaves Toledo at noon, and Castle Rock at 5:30 in the afternoon, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays, leaving Portland early in the morning. Wharf foot of Salmon St. H. HOLMAN, Agent.

America's
BEST

Editorially Fearless. Consistently Republican.

News from all the world—Well written, original stories—Answers to queries—Articles on Health, the Home, New Books, and on Work About the Farm and Garden.

The Weekly Inter Ocean

Is a member of the Associated Press, the only Western Newspaper receiving the entire telegraphic news service of the New York Sun and special cable of the New York World—daily reports from over 2,000 special correspondents throughout the country.

YEAR ONE DOLLAR

Subscribe for The OREGON MIST and the Weekly Inter Ocean Both papers for $1.50.

Oregon Daily Journal, only $4 a year by mail, $2 for six months; Semi-Weekly Journal, $1.50 and Weekly Journal $1 per year. The Journal is an independent Democratic newspaper, working in the interests of the great section where rolls the Oregon. Send in your subscription. Sample copies free. Address The Journal, P. O. Box 121, Portland, Or.

ESTABLISHED 1872 1903.

JOHN A. BECK
DEALER IN
Watches, Diamonds, Silverware,
....JEWELRY....
Repairing a Specialty.
Morrison St. Bet. Front & First, PORTLAND

FOR PORTLAND DAILY
Steamer Iralda
C. I. Houghkirk, Master.
RAILROAD TIME.
Leaves Rainier daily (except Sunday) for Portland, at 6 A. M., departing from St. Helens at 8 o'clock. Returning, leaves Portland at 2:30 P. M., arriving at St. Helens at 4:45.
Passengers and Fast Freight.
PORTLAND LANDING, TAYLOR ST.

ASTORIA & COLUMBIA RIVER RAILROAD COMPANY.

DAILY. READ DOWN 34	22	DISTANCES	STATIONS	DAILY. READ UP 21	23
P. M.	A. M.			A. M.	A. M.
7 00	8 00	0	Lv Portland Ar	11 10	9 40
8 05	9 05	39.4	....Goble....	10 05	8 35
8 20	9 18	45.8	....Rainier....	9 52	8 22
8 38	9 35	50.5	....Pyramid....	9 35	8 05
8 44	9 40	55.9	....Mayger....	9 27	7 46
8 50	9 50	59.8	....Quincy....	9 17	7 34
8 58	10 00	62.8	....Clatskanie....	9 08	7 23
9 08	10 10	66.4	....Marshland....	9 02	7 20
9 19	10 21	71.2	....Westport....	8 58	7 15
9 27	10 26	78.7	....Clifton....	8 33	7 05
10 00	10 57	86.6	....Knappa....	8 15	6 45
10 06	11 03	90.5	....Svensen....	8 07	6 37
10 20	11 18	95.4	....John Day....	7 55	6 25
10 30	11 30	99.8	Ar. Astoria Lv	7 45	6 15

All trains make close connections at Goble with Northern Pacific trains to and from the East and Sound points. At Portland with all trains leaving Union depot. At Astoria with I. R. & N. Co.'s boat and rail line and Steamer T. J. Potter to and from Ilwaco and North Beach points.

Passengers for Astoria or way points must flag trains at Houlton. Trains will stop to let passengers off at Houlton when coming from points west of Goble.

J. C. Mayo,
Gen. Pass. Agt., Astoria, Or

FOR PORTLAND, DAILY.
—STEAMER—
"America"
—
Willamett Slough Route
—
Leave St. Helens.... 6:30 A M
Arrive at Portland.. 10:30 A M
Leave Portland ..... 2:30 P M
Arrive at St. Helens. 6:00 P M
FARE 50 CENTS.
Will Carry Nothing but Passengers and Fast Freight.
JAMES GOOD, Master.

50 YEARS' EXPERIENCE
PATENTS
TRADE MARKS
DESIGNS
COPYRIGHTS &C.
Anyone sending a sketch and description may quickly ascertain our opinion free whether an invention is probably patentable. Communications strictly confidential. Handbook on Patents sent free. Oldest agency for securing patents.
Patents taken through Munn & Co. receive special notice, without charge, in the
Scientific American.
A handsomely illustrated weekly. Largest circulation of any scientific journal. Terms, $3 a year; four months, $1. Sold by all newsdealers.
MUNN & Co. 361 Broadway, New York
Branch Office, 625 F St., Washington, D. C.

How About Your Title?

ARE YOU SURE it is all right? Remember that it is the RECORD that governs. It is our business to search the records and show what they contain in relation to land titles. If you contemplate buying land or loaning money on real-estate security, take no man's word, but insist upon knowing what the record shows regarding the title. An Abstract is as essential as a deed. Insist on having it. We have the only set of abstract books in the county. All work promptly executed and satisfaction guaranteed. If you have property to insure give us a call. We are agents for the best fire insurance companies in the world. If you have property for sale list it with us and we will find a buyer.

E. E. QUICK & CO.,
Main Street ST. HELENS, OREGON

Greatest Clubbing Combination

TWO WEEKLY PAPERS FOR THE OF ONE—GREATEST BARGAIN IN GOOD READING.

By a special arrangement we are able to furnish THE OREGON MIST and THE WEEKLY CAPITAL JOURNAL at the following clubbing price for both papers:

For One Year in Advance--$1.50
For Six Months in Advance, 75c

The Weekly Journal, of Salem, Ore., prints most inside news about our state government and the full legislative proceedings. Just what you want for the coming session. The Journal is a large eight page paper full of telegraphic news of the whole world. Sample copy furnished free upon inquiry at this office.

EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

Reports from Hayti and Santo Domingo show great unrest.

The United States will allow Colombia to take the initiative for war.

Secretary Root says that General Wood's promotion is in the regular order of senority.

A Portland firm has received the contract to install water systems at Forts Worden and Casey.

The strike of hearse drivers in Chicago has compelled the people to use cars and wagons at funerals.

An assassin fired at Max Nordeau, the noted Zionist and litterateur, in a Paris ballroom, but a friend saved him.

Chief Newell has given irrigation committees to understand that Oregon will not get any money for a year at least.

A vigilance committee has been named at Chicago to clear the city of thugs, who have become bolder since the first declaration of war.

Chicago hearse drivers have gone on a strike and many funerals have been postponed.

The senate has ratified the treaty with China. Russia is not at all pleased by it.

Women have been selected to act as jurors in a Chicago trial, for the first time in the history of the nation.

John R. Benson, a San Francisco timber operator, has been arrested on a charge of bribing a government official.

Sir Thomas Lipton, in accepting the silver service presented him by America, says he will try once more for the cup.

Senator Fulton, before the senate, stated the aims of the 1905 fair and made an eloquent plea for federal aid. It was his maiden speech.

The search for the wealth of Pope Leo has been ended by Cardinal Gotti turning over $90,00,000 and an electrician accidentally discovering $1,850,000. The late pope asked Cardinal Gotti to keep the money four months in order that the new pope might learn how difficult it is to rule without money.

Senator Hoar severely criticises the Panama policy of Roosevelt.

Japan will reject the answer of Russia to her far eastern demands.

The house has passed the pension appropriation bill carrying $138,150,100.

The Nebraska grand jury has returned an additional indictment against Senator Dietrich.

The kaiser's sister is found to be suffering from a cancer and the news created a sensation in Berlin.

American troops who have been landed have discovered a force of Colombians which is probably building a road toward Panama.

Colombia has ordered the American cruiser Atlanta to quit the gulf of Darien, but the order has not been heeded. The Atlanta has discovered a detachment of nearly 2,000 Colombian troops on the western side of the gulf. She also came upon a schooner carrying armed men.

The Lewis and Clark exposition is rapidly gaining friends in the senate.

The senate committee will recommend the promotion of General Wood.

Tammany will put up Bourke Cockran to succeed Mayor-elect McClellan in congress.

President Roosevelt has refused to allow a lodge of Orangemen to use his photograph on a banner.

Perry Heath and other ex-officials are seriously involved in the Conrad-Boneparte report on postal irregularities.

The friars are to get $7,250,000 for their lands in the Philippines. They originally asked $13,000,000 and Governor Taft offered them $4,000,000.

W. A. McKowan, secretary of the board of regnets, robbed the univeristy of California of $40,000 and spent it on races.

A Santo Dominican plot to kill Minister Powell has been unearthed.

Southern friends of Hanna still have hopes that he will run for president

Mayor Collins, Democrat, has been re-elected mayor of Boston by a large plurality,.

J. Henry Booth, receiver of the Roseburg, Oregon, land office will not be reappointed.

Chicago citizens have organized to put an end to the lawlessness which reigns there.

A Connecticut bank cashier, whose accounts are short, on being surprised by the bank examiner, committed suicide.

President Loubet, of France, will visit Rome in April.

The remains of Herbert Spencer, the philosopher, were cremated.

Marines from the cruiser Prairie have been landed at Colon and sent to Panama.

CLOSE WATCH ON COLOMBIA.

American Outposts are Keeping Admiral Glass Well Informed.

Panama, Dec. 23.—By means of the gun boats, Rear Admiral Glass is keeping in almost daily communication with the two American outposts at San Miguel. One of these, composed of 100 marines and four field pieces, is well and comfortably located at Yaviza and the other, numbering 100 men, composed of marines and bluejackets, and which also has field pieces, is stationed at Real Santa Maria, 10 miles from Yaviza. Both of the outposts are encamped on the Tuira river. A distance of 60 miles, partly an estuary of the gulf and partly river, separates them from the ancorage of the American war vessels, where the Wisconsin and Bosotn are now lying. The Concord is going back and forth with dispatches, while the Marblehead, with Admiral Glass aboard, remains at Panama.

The outposts are all kept well supplied with all nescessities, and in case of trouble could quickly communicate with the war vessels. There are also at Yaviza and Real Santa Maria about 100 Panamans. These men have been scouting toward the Colombian frontier, but according to the latest information brought to Admiral Glass there is no sign of Colombian soldiers on Panama territory. Naval authorities do not believe Colombia will invade Panama's territory.

JAPAN WANTS GOLD STANDARD.

Suggests That Ratio of 32 to 1 be Adopted for All Silver Countries.

Washintgon, Dec. 23.—The commission on international exchange has received from Professor Jenks the conclusions of the monetary commission of Japan regarding the proposals of the American commission for a uniform coinage system, based upon the gold exchange standard for China.

The resolutions declare that the chaotic condition of the currency as it now exists in China is disadvantageous not to China alone, but to those countries that have commercial relations with her, and that a definite and uniform currency system should be speedily instituted and put into operation throughout the whole empire, or at least, in those parts of it that are of commercial importance.

If possible it is desirable that this system should be on the single gold standard. Inasmuch as the currency reform cannot be started on a perfect system, it is regarded as advisable to adopt the recommendations of the American commission. It suggests also that the ratio for China of 32 to 1 between gold and silver coins should be adopted for other silver using countries which may hereafter adopt the gold standard.

PREPARES FOR WAR.

Japan Gives Rush Orders to Both Army and Navy.

Paris, Dec. 23.—A private letter received here from a leading American diplomatic official in Japan says that while there are continued hopes of peace, the government is making final preparations for the eventuality of war. Preparations in the various branches of the army and navy are proceeding with the utmost energy. The whole military establishment is being placed in readiness for an aggressive campaign from the outset.

The Russian embassy here takes an optimistic view of the Far Eastern situation and considers the last dispatches exaggerated. A member of the embassy tonight said:

"The negotiations between Russia and Japan have assuredly encountered many obstacles, but they will continue, and it will not be Russia who will first break them off. The condition of the Russian naval forces is such as will guard them against all surprise."

The Jaapnese legation here authorizes the statement that it retains a hope of a pacific solution of the troubles. No alarming news has reached the legation from Tokio, and the rumored recall of its military attaches to Japan, it says, is an invention.

Schooners Driven Ashore.

St. John's, N. F., Dec. 23.—During a fierce blizzard yesterday the schooner Susan was driven ashore off St. Johns. Her crew, after 12 hours in an open boat, made port this morning badly frostbitten. The schooner Mary Ellen went ashore at Trepassy. The crew clung to the rocks all night and suffered terribly from exposure. The schooner Fashoda went ashore at Greens island. The crew escaped. It is feared that the schooner Dictator has foundered in the storm with her crew of seven men.

Turkish Cruiser a Success.

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—The cruiser Medjidia, built for the Turkish government by the Cramp ship building company, returned here tonight from her trial trip, which proved to be a success in every way to her builders. Over a one mile course the cruiser sustained 22.28 knots an hour. Her contract is for 22 knots. The new war ship made a good speed of 22.4 knots in a one hour trial and in a run of six hours maintained a speed of 20 knots flat.

Four Thousand to Be Laid Off.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Four thousand men employed by the Illinois Steel company, in south Chicago, will be laid off for an indefinite period on Thursday, the day before Christmas, according to a notice sent out by the officials of the company today.

STOLE BY THE CAR

SEATTLE RING OF FREIGHT THIEVES HAS BEEN UNEARTHED.

Amounts Will Reach Far Into the Thousands—Northern Pacific and Great Northern Both Heavy Losers—Many Employes Implicated—Goods Sent to Various Points and Sold for Song.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 23.—In the arrest of Herman Rheinhart, manager of the Arlington dock; James C. Graves, yardmaster of the Great Northern railway, and P. J. Flynn, foreman of the Great Northern freighthouse, the officials of the two transcontinnetal lines believe they have unearthed one of the greatest conspiracies to defraud that has ever been brought to light in the West.

The investigation has been but started, and while none of the high officials will talk regarding the matter, it is well known that the operations of a thieving ring, with headquarters in Seattle, extend over a period of at least four years and it may be five.

During that time freight cars have been robbed of their contents, and the goods consigned to one merchant sold to another in the same line of business in the same city. Again, wohle freight car loads of goods have been taken and reshipped to other points where the ring is alleged to have had fences for the disposal of the stuff.

Tons upon tons of merchandise, it is charged, have been sent to Alaska, to California, to Oregon, and interior Western states, sold for what it would bring and the money divided between those implicated.

The work of the detectives shows that trainmen, station agents, foremen, yardmen, engineers, and, in fact, almost every class of employes on the lines of the railroads, have been implicated. All have not been concerned in the same shipments, but at some time or other have reaped a harvest from a part of the stolen property.

The Northern Pacific railroad, it is said, is the heaviest loser in freight shipments, and the sums paid by the company for "lost goods" runs far into the thousands. The Great Northern, while it has been a sufferer from the same depredations, has not suffered to the same extent as the Northern Pacific in lost freight.

HITCHCOCK COVERS HIS HAND.

More Development in Land Fraud Cases Due at Any Time.

Washington, Dec. 23.—More important developments in the big land fraud scheme, for alleged complicity in which John A. Benson, of San Francisco, was arrested yesterday, are expected shortly, but the utmost secrecy guards the proceedings. Woodford Harlan, the former chief of division, and at present a clerk in the general land office, who is accused of taking bribes from Benson, was not at his desk today, it being explained he was away on leave of absence for two or three days. Secretary Hitchcock today declined to discuss the expected further arrests or to say what action as to Harlan's case is in contemplation, and when asked why Harlan had been retained so long after the discovery of the alleged offenses refused to answer the question. Benson has gone to New York.

FRIARS WILL LEAVE ISLAND.

They Have No Money to Buy Back Lands in Philippines.

Rome, Dec. 23.—The settlement of the friar lands question in the Philippines also practically settles, it is considered here, the question of the friars themselves. The Franciscans, it is believed, will abandon the islands altogether, since they have no money to purchase lands, and have no other means of support. A few of the Recollects will remain, as they still have some property left. The Dominicans will be looked after by their university and the Augustinians will reoccupy the building erected at Ilo Ilo, which is now used by the Americans as a barracks, and will claim an indemnity from the government. The Augustinians will use the building as a school.

Money Order System for Banks.

New York, Dec. 23.—After a three days' session here, the American bankers' association, representing 7,000 banks, has agreed upon a plan for a money order system whereby sums not to exceed $100 can be sent by mail and the orders cashed by any bank belonging to the association. The scheme will, of course, come into direct competition with the money order division of the postoffice department, and it is expected cut largely into the government revenues. It will be operated the same as the exchange system.

Troops to Leave Mines.

Denver, Dec. 23.—At a conference between Governor Peabody and Adjutant General Sherman M. Bell, it was decided to withdraw the troops gradually from both the Cripple Creek districts and the Telluride mining district. Orders have been issued to reduce the Cripple Creek force from 375 to 300 men, and to relieve 115 men at Telluride, thus cutting the force in that district to 325 men. At the first of the year another cut is to be made.

Turkey Orders an Apology.

Washington, Dec. 23.—The state department has received a cablegram from Minister Leishman giving the details of the settlement of the trouble. He states that the Turkish government has instructed the governor of Alexandretta to apologize to the consul on his return there.

RUSSIA MUST BOW.

Great Britain Believes That Otherwise Japan Will Go to War.

London, Dec. 22.—Official England tonight almost to a unit is convinced there is but one way to avert war between Japan and Russia, and that is for the latter to accept the demands of the mikado, made on the advice of his mianistry. There has been considerable communicatiaon during the past 12 hours between the British foreign office and the Japanese legation in London, and the presumption almost acknowledged as a fact in official circles, is that the British government has asked the Japanese minister for his advices as to Japan's position in the present state of the negotiations between that nation and Russia.

From the reports current tonight it is assumed that the Japanese minister has been advised that the relations between his government and Russia have reached the breaking point. The belief has become general that the spark which may strike fire into the inflammability of Japanese sentiment is an eventuality to be expected now almost any time.

The most that can be learned from the Japanese capital is the acknowledgement that the situation is now more menacing than at any previous stage of the negotiations between Japan and Russia.

The dispatches from St. Petersburg are practically being subjected to a censorship. They are meagre in extreme, and merely announce that in spite of public opinion and alarming newspaper reports, the Russian officials believe a peaceable outcome of the far Eastern situation is still possible.

FRIARS TO GET LITTLE MONEY.

Syndicate is the Real Owner of the Philippine Lands.

Rome, Dec. 22.—Considerable excitement prevailed in the mother houses of the Dominicans, Augustinians, Franciscans and the Recollects over the friars lands question in the Philippines. The friars were glad the negotiations had been concluded, but think the orders got little for the lands, since the price they originally asked, $13,000,000 was, they declare, under the estimated value of the lands, the value of which has much increased, especially since the Ameican occupation and the reestablishment of order in the archipelago.

The friars say the money they will receive is scarcely enough to pay what they borrowed when they were deprived of everything by the revolution. Besides, they point out that only part of the money will go to the friars, as the lands were really transferred to a company formed in Madrid by the Marquis Di Comillias, the head of the Spanish Trans-Atlantic navigation company.

The Dominicans succeeded in so thoroughly concealing their ownership of lands that the vatican itself threatened to punish them severely for having tried to deceive even the ecclesiastical authorities.

GREAT PANIC AT FIRE.

Students at Tennessee College Leap From Windows in Droves.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 22.—Five persons are known to have been killed and perhaps 30 injured, 19 of them fatally, in a fire here tonight, which consumed the Central Tennessee college for young negro women, a department of Walden university. It is possible the ruins mayc ontain the remains of other victims. The property loss is estimated at $25,000.

The fire broke out about 11 o'clock in the top of the building, which was four stories high and without fire escapes.

It was occupied by about 60 students, who were asleep when the alarm was given. The wildest panic ensued, women and girls rushing to the windows from which they jumped in droves, the dead and injured lying in heaps where they fell to be fallen upon by those following them from the flaming windows. Every ambulance in the city was soon on the scene, and the injured were hurried to the hospitals.

When the flames were first discovered they seemed to entirely envelop the building and it is considered almost certain that some of the terrorized occupants were overcome by smoke before reaching the windows.

Steals $200 per Day for Months.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—While working on a salary of $9 a week, Gus A. Grigsby has robbed his employers at the rate of $200 per day, according to Manager David L. Rose, of M. L. Barrett & Co. When arrested $250 worth of costly vanila beans were found concealed in Grigsby's clothing. In the few months that his meager salary has kept him attached to the firm it is beli-ved he has stolen between $12,000 and $15,000 worth of stock. Grixsby held the position of chemist's helper. He says he needed the money.

Cabinet Finds No Cause for Alarm.

Washington, Dec. 22.—At the cabinet meeting today the situaiton in Panama and the situation in Washington, relating to Panama, formed the principal topics of discussion. At the conclusion of the meeting Secretary Moody said official advices from Panama corresponded in salient features with the news dispatches from the isthmus. Assurance is given that there has been no important developments to aroues concern.

Bloodhounds Unable to Trail Men.

Newcastle, Colo., Dec. 22.—Bloodhounds were unable to follow far the trail of the men who blew up five buildings here occupied by striking union coal miners and their families, and no clew to the perpetrators of the crime has been found.

FOR THE 1905 FAIR

MITCHELL MAKES ELOQUENT PLEA IN THE SENATE.

Sets Forth Facts Showing That "Oregon Country" Well Deserves Aid of the Government—Holds the Rapt Attention of All by His Powerful Argument for the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

Washington, Dec. 19.—"At the conclusion of this political battle I ask the senate to consider the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition bill," said Senator Mitchell, as he rose and was recognized by the president pro tem of the senate, at the termination of a heated Panama debate that had engaged the leaders of both sides of the chamber during the fore part of yesterday afternoon.

Commencing at 3 o'clock, Senator Mitchell spoke continuously for more than two hours, Senator Fulton presiding over the senate.

During the impressive delivery of his elaborate appeal for government aid, Senator Mitchell held the rapt attention of the senators present, among them being Senators Aldrich, Lodge, Hoar, Foraker, Gorman, Ankeny, Foster, Heyburn, Dubois, Cullom, Warren, Fairbanks, Clapp, Daniel, Scott, Bacon, Gallinger, Newlands and others, while every Oregonian now in Washington in behalf of the fair occupied a seat in the gallery.

Senator Mitchell's speech will form the main argument on wihch the Oregon delegation will base its plea for a liberal federal appropriation. Carefully prepared as to facts and details, it forms a convincing argument, not only showing that the government is in many ways indebted to the Oregon country, but the event whose 100th anniversary it is proposed to commemorate is of such importance as to warrant federal recognition, especially in view of the government aid heretofore given to expositions held in various cities of the United States as well as for exhibits abroad.

Senator Fulton had intended speaking this evening, following his colleague, but, owing to the lateness of the hour, he gave notice he would address the senate for 20 minutes or half an hour at the conclusion of the morning business tomorrow.

Senator Mitchell, in beginning his speech, said that almost half a million dollars had been raised by the sale of stock in the Exposition company, and over $700,000 had been subscribed by different states for the purpose of making exhibits, making a total of $1,086,907 of available money for the enterprise. He said a magnificent site of over 400 acres had been secured on the Willamette river, which had already been graded and planted to shrubbery.

Speaking of the event which the exposition is intended to commemorate, Mr. Mitchell said:

"No other historical event in our national existence of an individual nature has done so much toward the development of American occupation and settlement, American commerce, domestic and foreign, and American civilization, as has the geographical scientific and military expedition across the then trackless American contnient by Captains Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, 100 years ago."

Mr. Mitchell made a careful estimate to show that the contributions of the "Oregon country" to the national treasury exceeded the amount expended there to the extent of $37,000,000. He said that if the United States could afford to contribute over $6,000,000 to the St. Louis exposition, it could afford to give one third of that amount to the Portland exposition.

Arizona Fugitives Caught.

Tombstone, Ariz., Dec. 21.—Of the 19 prisoners who escaped from the county jail Tuesday night, two were captured today. John James, indicted for murder, and Pedro Sandoval, sentenced to the penitentiary for two years for smuggling. James was captured without resistence. He told the officers his comrades had separated and are now trying to get across the Mexican line. The Mexican officials apprehended Sandoval. Mexican rurales have six of the fguitives surounded in the San Jose mountains.

Noted Bank Robber Again Free.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—James Dunlap, a notorious bank robber, is again at large, through the clemency of the pardon board. Dunlap was serving time for a bank robbery at Monmouth, Ill., which occurred two years ago. His criminal record extends back a score of years or more. Among his most daring exploits was the robbery of the Manhattan bank in New York, where his booty is said to have amounted to nearly $1,000,000.

Russia to Make Great Exhibit.

St. Louis, Dec. 21.—According to advices received at the World's Fair headquarters Russia will have the most extensive exhibit which that country has ever made at a foreign exposition. The exhibit space will cover more than 750,000 square feet, which will be occupied by more than 2,500 individual exhibitors.