

BANKS. THE INDEPENDENCE

National Bank

Capital Stock, \$50,000.00. H. HIRSCHBERG, President. ABRAHAM NELSON, Vice President. W. P. CONNORWAY, Cashier.

A general banking and exchange business transacted; loans made, bills discounted, commercial credits granted; deposits received on current account subject to check, interest paid on time deposits.

DIRECTORS.

R. F. Smith, A. Nelson, L. A. Allen, H. H. Jastrow, A. J. Goodman, D. W. Sears, H. Hirschberg.

Commenced Business May 9

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

of Independence, Oregon.

Capital Stock, \$50,000.00. Surplus, \$14,000.00.

J. S. COOPER, L. W. ROBERTSON, President, Vice President.

W. H. HAWLEY, Cashier.

DIRECTORS.

J. S. Cooper, L. W. Robertson, Lewis Henick, G. W. Whitaker, W. W. Collins.

A general banking business transacted. Buys and sells exchange on all important points. Deposits received subject to check or on certificate of deposit. Collections made. Office hours: 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

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Polk County Bank,

MONMOUTH, OR.

J. B. HAWLEY, President. F. L. CAMPBELL, Vice-President. IRA C. POWELL, Cashier.

Paid Capital, \$30,000.

DIRECTORS.

J. B. Hawley, P. L. Campbell, I. M. Simpson, J. B. V. Butler, J. S. Stump, F. S. Powell, Joseph T. Allen.

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Prescott & Veness,

Proprietors of

INDEPENDENCE SAW MILL

Manufacturers of and Dealers in

FIR and HARDWOOD,

AND

Rough and Dressed

LUMBER.

J. A. WHEELER, - Manager.

American and European Plan.

The Imperial Hotel,

THOS. GUINEAN, Proprietor.

Seventh and Washington Sts., PORTLAND, OREGON

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And see how

CHEAP

You can get your

Work Done.

Wagon Repairing of All

Kinds,

H. A. FULLER, Proprietor.

If you want a Good Square Meal for

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Go to the

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MRS. L. CAMPBELL, Prop.

Ten Cream every day during the season. Chicken Dinner every Sunday. Meals served at all hours. Main St., Independence.

THE DEEPEST MYSTERY

Surrounds the Spanish Negotiations.

But No Serious Trouble Feared.

Another Report that an American Schooner Has Been Sunk by a Spanish Ship.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—An impenetrable mystery surrounds the negotiations of the state department and the Spanish government on the subject of the Spanish schooner Albatross.

The schooner Albatross, a vessel of 1,200 tons, was captured by the Spanish schooner Albatross on the coast of Cuba.

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POWERFUL COMBINATION.

Postal Employees May Injure Themselves Instead of Helping.

Washington, Mar. 18.—The post-office department has information of the formation of a powerful combination of postal employees, designed to bring a high pressure upon congress to overturn certain regulations and rules of the department.

The department is now informed that since the failure of legislation in the last congress increasing the pay of those employees, a combination has been formed to pass this legislation and also to overturn those rules of the department which are unsatisfactory to them.

A high official of the department said today: "This combination includes some thousands of employees in the railway mail service, the letter carriers' service and in postoffices. They are all in the classified service and protected from removal. The effect of this combination would be to create a sentiment against the civil service law which protects those employees."

AN UNLUCKY HULK.

Port Townsend, Mar. 18.—Archibald Anderson, third officer of the British ship Lindholmsworth, now in port, was today accidentally struck by a ball and instantly killed.

Within the last three months three deaths occurred aboard that vessel. Her captain died when the ship was entering Valparaiso and his successor just after leaving port, while temporarily insane jumped overboard. Just before reaching Cape Flattery the second officer fell down the hold and his injuries may prove fatal.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, March 18.—Wheat, spot; demand poor; No. 2 red winter, 4s 10d; No. 2 red spring, 5s 3d; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 5s 3d; No. 1 California, 5s 1d.

Hops dull; Pacific coast, 22 1/2c; New York—Hops dull, 20c.

Portland—Wheat, valley, 80¢/bush; central; Walla Walla, 45¢/bush.

San Francisco—No. 1 shipping wheat, 85¢, with 87¢ as a full figure for choice offerings; milling grades are less firm at range of 90¢/bush.

SOME SLY SWINDLING.

Carson, Nev., March 18.—Andrew Mason, superintendent of the New York assay office and town government inspector, has been in town some time inspecting matters at the United States mint in this city. There are rumors of shortages which run up to something over \$75,000 in the meter and refiner's department.

GOOD BILLS DEAD.

Olympia, Mar. 18.—A bill making deductions on the terms of convicts in the penitentiary passed both houses but will not become a law because it was never enrolled. Four other bills met a like fate in the rush at the closing hours. Among them is Bolkan's bill prohibiting prize fighting.

CASH ACCOUNT.

Washington, March 18.—Today's statement of the treasury shows an increase in the cash balance of \$184,027,359; gold reserve, \$99,466,908.

AN EIGHT ROUND MILL.

BETWEEN JAKE KILRAIN AND STEVE O'DONNELL.

Declared a Draw and John L. Sullivan Anxious to Match the Winner—Exciting Scene.

BOSTON, Mar. 18.—In the presence of 3,000 people at the Suffolk Athletic club tonight Jake Kilrain of Baltimore and Steve O'Donnell of Australia, Corbett's sparring partner, fought eight rounds and at the close Patsy Shepard, the referee, amid shouts of "Kilrain," declared the contest a draw. While the referee was making up his mind John L. Sullivan, who sat just outside the ropes, close by Kilrain's corner, mounted a chair, and waving his fist, demanded a decision. When a draw was announced he sprang into the arena and rushed toward O'Donnell's corner. Two of the seconds grabbed him by the arm and turned him aside, but he clapped hands with Kilrain in apparent enthusiasm and swinging his arms showed the latter how the fight might have been won. He was ready, he said, to challenge the winner if the referee would only name one. The champion was finally led off by his friends and the scene, which caused the wildest excitement, ended. It took the referee five minutes to make up his mind what decision to make. Kilrain had the best of the last round and at times it looked as if he was going to put O'Donnell out. He had not the force, however, but his old time pluck asserted itself and with his wild rushes he dazed the Australian boy.

WANTS MORE PAY.

Cincinnati, March 18.—One hundred and fifty colored coal haulers at Addison struck today for an advance in pay, and, armed with stones, clubs, etc., declared they would prevent others from taking their places. In consequence of the strike the Addison pipe and steel works will be crippled for a week.

THE CANAL ALL RIGHT.

Tacoma, March 18.—Congressman W. H. Doollittle arrived home today from Washington. He was one of the strongest advocates of the Nicaragua canal measure. Doollittle had soundings of many of the new members and says they are solid for the canal.

MAY RESIGN.

Washington, March 18.—It is understood in supreme court circles that Justice Jackson will resign from the bench of the supreme court next fall if his health does not permit him to resume active work.

GOLD COMING.

New York, March 18.—The steamship Lucania, from Liverpool, brought \$1,510,000 gold to August Belmont & Co. The steamship La Gasconne, from Havre, brought 4,000,000 francs in gold.

RESURRECTION.

Boston, Mar. 18.—John L. Sullivan will challenge the winner of the Kilrain-O'Donnell fight here next Monday night.

BRITAIN PLAYS BULLY

An Ultimatum Sent to Nicaragua.

Bars Our Citizens from Arbitration.

General Excitement in Hopes of a New Rebellion in His Interest.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, March 18.—The British government, through its minister here, has submitted an ultimatum to Nicaragua. It demands a cash indemnity of \$15,000 as smart money to pay for the expulsion of Mr. Hatch, British consular agent, during the troubles of last year and also for the appointment of a commission to investigate the damages sustained by persons and property of British subjects who were expelled from Mosquito reservation about the same time. It also demands that the British warship now on her way to Nicaragua to enforce these demands, which must be complied with within seven weeks from the 25th of February, the last date of the ultimatum.

MAY MAKE TROUBLE.

Washington, March 18.—It is impossible to learn positively whether the state department has been advised officially of the demands upon Nicaragua by Great Britain, but it is assumed that our own government is aware of an aggressive increase in the serious that his new incident, taken in connection with the hostile attitude of Great Britain toward Venezuela, promises to lead to a rather disagreeable situation for the United States. It is also assumed that the British warship now on her way to Nicaragua to enforce these demands, which must be complied with within seven weeks from the 25th of February, the last date of the ultimatum.

GOVERNMENT RECEIPTS.

Washington, March 19.—A statement prepared by the commissioner of internal revenue shows the receipts during the eight months of the present fiscal year to have been \$10,622,499, an increase of \$5,180,022. During the month of February, 1905, there was an aggregate decrease in receipts compared with February, 1904, of \$1,701,445.

IS PERHAPS TRUE.

Washington, March 19.—No confirmation or denial can be obtained of the report that Secretary of State Gresham has intimated to the Hawaiian government that Minister Thurston is persona non grata. (The report is that Secretary Gresham has demanded Thurston's recall.)

HUNG CHANG'S TRIP.

HIS FIRST TIME OUTSIDE OF CHINESE SOIL.

Peace Now Assured and by the Efforts of United States Ministers Denby and Dun.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Li Hung Chang's arrival in Japan is regarded in official circles as one of the most significant events of recent days. It is the first time in his life that the venerable statesman of China has set foot outside of Chinese soil. At his advanced age he now journeys to China's traditional foe to offer enormous concessions as a means of securing peace.

It can be stated positively and authoritatively that the terms of peace are already understood and all that remains is arranging the details within a reasonable limit. The general terms have been brought about by the efforts of United States Ministers Denby in China and Dun in Tokio. The general terms of Li Hung Chang's authority are to cede territory, pay a cash indemnity, grant the independence of Corea and arrange new treaty relations with Japan by which Japanese extra-territorial jurisdiction in China will be maintained. So great is Li Hung Chang's ability and wisdom to see that China carries out the agreement that his promise of settlement will probably pave the way to a speedy cessation of hostilities.

TERRIBLE DEATH.

San Francisco, March 19.—John Banks, colored, met a shocking death this morning. While standing on a window ledge washing windows at the eighth story of the California hotel on the rear side, he lost his footing and fell off. His body shot downward, crashing through a glass awning at the second story, and the man's life was instantly crushed out in the stone pavement below. Both legs and both arms were broken and the skull crushed.

WHY RESTORE HIM?

Brought Back to Life and Reason, Just to Be Hanged.

Denver, March 19.—Judge Butler today denied the motion to discharge Henry Tyson and resented him to be hanged the second week in April. Tyson in 1888 killed Charles Sumner, who had stolen with Tyson's wife. He was found guilty and sentenced to be hanged. He became deranged and the sentence was suspended. For three years Tyson lay in a dark dungeon, losing his senses of sight and hearing and the power of motion. Recently under proper treatment his lost senses have been restored and a jury declared him sane. The case will probably be taken to the United States supreme court.

HIGH LIFE MARRIAGE.

Evansville, Ind., March 19.—Charles Denby Jr. and Miss Martha Orr were married here tonight. Denby is a son of the late Senator Charles Denby and is United States secretary of the legation at Peking, China. The couple will go to Peking at once to reside.

JAMES FAIR'S MILLIONS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 19.—The contention in the courts over the millions left by James G. Fair developed another sensation this morning. When the case was called before Superior Judge Slack, a great stir was caused by the introduction of what purports to be a later holographic will written in lead pen on two sheets of legal cap paper. It was brought into court securely framed between two plates of glass, by Reuben Lloyd, who has been retained in the case by Virginia Fair and Mrs. Odrick, daughters of the deceased. This alleged will divides the estate almost equally between the two daughters and Charles Fair. It bequeaths a few thousand dollars to certain children and makes no provision for such a trust as the estate is left in control of under the will previously filed.

Mosses Angus and Crothers are two of the former executors named in the previously filed will. Referring to this alleged will, Attorney Lloyd informed the court that the document, according to its date, was executed three days later than the will previously filed. He said he would prove that the existence of this will had been known to several persons, and that it had finally been found in the possession of an estimable old lady, whose name Lloyd did not divulge. Lloyd said the old lady had not produced it because she had read of the other will being offered for probate, and had supposed it was a later document than the one she held. The fact that this alleged will was not produced in court by Attorney Lloyd would indicate that Carrie Fair and his sisters have joined forces to contest the will of their father.

The attorneys who represent the executors under the will previously filed, and of which the original copy was stolen, intimated very strongly that they believed the alleged later will to be a forgery. The case was finally adjourned until the 24th of this month.

The alleged will produced today bequeaths to various brothers and sisters of the deceased and their children about the same amount as was left to them under