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INDEPENDENCE, POLK COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1895.

Torn by an Explosion at Midnight.

Number of Lives Lost Is Unknown.

It Was a Terrible Catastrophe and Is Credited to the Drunkenness of an Engineer.

DENVER, Aug. 19.-At midnight las night the Gumry hotel was destroyed by an explosion, which startled the en-GEO A, SMITH, ATTORNEY AT tels of Denver was reduced to a heap

> To add to the horror, fire began to break forth in different places from the ruins. The groens of human beings in distress came from the smoot dering pile, and had it not been for the most stremmous efforts of the fire decimal to add to the horror, fire began to nost strenuous efforts of the fire de-

partment, many imprisoned victims would have been burned to death. It is impossible to give a list of the lead or even approximate the num-Out of forty or more people in the hotel when the explosion occurred, a score of people were gotten out safe-

ly. Three were rescued with more or questionably lying dead beneath the F. Larsh, of Central City, Colo.; W. J. mass of bricks and shattered beams Carson, Pueblo; Calkins, Mr. and Mrs. and twisted from at the rear end of Burgess and two others, Boulder, the ruined building. The death list Colo.; Herman Leuders, Mrs. Wolf will include the owner of the hotel, and daughter, A. W. Roberts and wife. Peter Gumpy, and Manager R. C. Colorado Springs; E. F. McCloskey, Greiner and wife, who acted as day Cannon City, Coto.; three chamber-clerk. Before fire added to the horrors maids and one bell boy. of the explosion, the firemen were appealed to pitcously by men and women and babies whose lives were be ing crushed out in the ruins.

The great loss of life, the extent of which it is impossible at present to deermine, was entirely unexpected. As soon as the explosion occurred every guest of the hotel was up. When the fire department renched the scene he windows were crowded with he very naturally alarmed at the explo sion, but in answer to their frantic appeals they were assured that they

were perfectly safe where they were and indeed it seemed so. Afterward when the fire broke out, all calculations were upset, and many who might have been saved at once, had it een known that fire was to follow, vent to their awful fates.

The fire department was soon on the scene. Ladders were run up to the vindows fronting on Lawrence street and men and women were assisted down. The escaping guests found refuge in a neighboring lodging house, Many of them came away from the hotel in their bare feet, which were badly cut by broken glass in the streets. While the fire department was bending its efforts to the work of rescue, a report spread through the crowd that the rear wall had fallen down carrying many victims. The cry of a babe caused a thrill to sweep through the hundreds of men and we men who looked on, and in a few moments the voice of a woman could be heard from a mass of brick and mortar that lay piled high near the center of the ruins. At another poin toward the northwest portions of the roins the voice of a man was heard Men set at work with great exertion o clear the debris and release the un fortunate victims. Nobody could es imate the number of victims in that mass, which extended across the alley and as far toward Lawrence street as he front row of rooms in the buildag. The first to demand the attention of the ambulance corps was Michael C. Burgess, who, walking along Lawrnce street, on the opposite side of the treet, when the explosion occurred.

Hass cut his head and face in a rightful manner. His injuries arery serious, though not necessarily atal. He is a painter from Custer ity, South Dakota. Bud Hopkirs, the bartender at the lumry hotel, was found on the ground floor of the hotel unconscious and bleeding from many cuts. Joe Munal was found in the base-

ment, dressed only in his underclother and completely covered with ashes and dirt. When he revived he said: am a cigar maker from Cairo, Illinois. I was upstairs in the back when I heard an awful crash. I did not know what it was and got out of bed and hurried out. On going down stairs I is believed by those working on the must have lost my way, for when I case that more robberies are congot down on what I thought was the templated. ground floor, I fell into the base His injuries though severe

are not thought to be fatal. R. E. Irwin, the night clerk, made he following statement:

'I was standing at my counter talkng to Bud and Hawkins, the two barenders, when suddenly I heard a terific roar, and instantly the roof came lown, and I was pinned beneath eavy beam, which held me so tight I ould not move my limbs. The room egan to fill with smoke, and I was unible to breathe. After giving up all hope. I heard firemen above me, and soon they removed enough timbers to allow me to drag myself out and from here to the street. The engineer is a boy, 17 years of age, Elmer Locscher. He was drunk at the time he went on duty. In fact, he either was full all the time or was away from the engine room. I cannot say how many were in the hotel. I judge about 70. There are 11 now in the ruins, includ

ing George Adams." W. A. Logan, editor of the Buena Vista, Colo., Republican was in his oom, but had not retired when the ex- of 70 years and after having served for desion occurred. He said: "I was ten years. sitting on the side of the bed when I felt the bed move upward with a vio ent jerk. Before the bed righted it self a heavy quantity of plaster fell from the ceiling, completely covering myself and the bed clothing. When could see anything I saw the walls of my room were torn asunder several feet, and I was fastened in tightly ex-

the alley. Out of a pile of brick and, will be wholly destroyed.

wood and iron below there came feeble means and piteous cries for help. The firemen devoted their ef-forts to the work of rescue until suddenty flames broke out and the workers were drive, away. Joseph Munal, whose head and shoulders protruded

from the bursing mass, was rescued after two hours work. At times the cries of bubs and the moans of men and women could be heard, but the flames and smoke increased and finally the research of the second statement of the ly the voices were all silenced. At 130 a large force of men and teams began hauling away moutains of de-bris from the place where the hotel stood. At daylight three bodies were already in sight, two men and one woman, but it was impossible to un-cover them sufficiently to identify them, the fire still being dangerous. R. E. Irwin, the night clerk, who with the barkeeper, William Rubbe, had a miraculous escape, went over the register for the last few days this

orning and endeavored to call to rooms. He says there were between 50 and 55 people registered, and 16 were occupying back rooms where it were occupying back rooms where it because the same be mind the occupants of the different was more difficult to escape.

General Charles Adams, of Manitou, Colo., occupied room 11 in the rear end of the hotel and over the

A. L. Blake, of Florence, Colo., was tear end. He had gone to bed early and is counted among the lost, fames Murphy, a contractor, was a regular boarder, and also roomed in

the destroyed portion. Rubbe says he was in his room and also must be among the dead. Others who had rooms in the hotel and who have not been accounted for ess serious injury, and others are un are: M. E. Lett, F. French and Bert

> There is no doubt the disaster was caused by a boiler explosion. Frank Loesechner, the engineer, it is said, was intoxicated and after turning a large quantity of cold water into the bollers, left the building 10 minutes before the explesion occurred. The police are looking for him.

MORE PARTICULARS.

Denver, Aug. 19 .- A portion of the tims has been carried on with the utmost energy since the explosion occurred and it is being continued to-Flames broke out afresh in the wreckage tonight and the fire engines are again pouring forth, still further imof dead and missing now numbers had been recovered, being those Manager Greiner and his wife, lasped in each other's arms: Ocorge Burt, a Rock Island railroad conducor; Mrs. G. C. Wolfe and daughter, red Hubbard and Will Richards, elevator men. Among the missing is now ncluded Elmer Pierce, night engineer. It is to this man's carelessness

THAT STAGE ROBBER

THE ROSEBURG SHERIFF HAS HIM LOCA FED.

of a Man Named Wood as the Lone Highwayman,

ROSEBURG, Aug. 19 .- Sheriff Cathcart is making energetic efforts to capture the Coos Bay stage robbers several days near the scene of the hold-up and succeeded in finding some clues which point to the robbers' identity as a young man named Wood, who spent some time in Roseburg and finally moved to Olalla to engage in placer mining. He is suspected of be ing the lone highwayman. Wood disappeared the Sunday previous to the first hold-up. His friends claim be went to California. Suspicion seems road leading down Rice creek near the scene of the hold-up the following note scrawled on a leaf torn from a memorandum book: "Catch old Wood if you can you d-m s-n a b-h (signed) The Mail Robber."

Below this was written: "Ge-Lainger; It's you again." This might have been written throw the officers off the trail, but those who claim to know Wood's hand writing believe it to be genuine. It

NOTED JURIST DEAD.

William Strong, ex-Justice of the Lake Minnewaska, N. Y., Aug. 19. William Strong, ex-justice of the I supreme court, died here today He was brought to Lake Minnewaska several weeks ago suffering from a catarrhal affection of long standing. His system was also greatly weak ened by a fall down a flight of stairs at his home at Washington about two nonths ago. Since his arrival here Indge Strong has been in a semicomatose condition, from which be rallied only at intervals. Yesterday he had a stroke of paralysis which affected the left side. He also suffered much from catarrhal fever and again became unconscious and death usued this afternoon. He was about 87 years of age. Justice William Strong has been off the supreme bench duce December, 1880, when he retired inder the law granting to justices of this court the privilege of retiring with full pay after reaching the age

DESTROYING THE FISH.

The Industry in Alaska to Be Wiped out Shortly. Port Townsend, Aug. 19.-Private advices from southeastern Alaska have been received to the effect that an unlimited quantity of salmon is being

Large Galaxy of Silver Judge McKenna's Title Statesmen.

Democrats.

Silver Democrats Are Advised to Advocate-Politics Generally.

hall. The object of the convention is of ruin. The front of the structure remained standing, but the great mass of brick and projecting wood of the explosion was the hardest. If the beams marked the spot which had the was in his room he is undoubtedly slider. Sibley discuss the question. These Sibley discuss the question. These gentlemen, however, merely cleared the way for an expression of the ternoon sessions and all-day and even-

> day. The program for the first day is an address of welcome and a general statement of the objects of the convention by George W. Baker, chair man of the executive committee Then the business of organization wil be commenced by the appointment of committees on organization, election of officers and appointment of committees on credentials and resolutions The speechmaking will follow upon the completion of the business of organization, though an adjournment will probably be taken as soon as the committees have been appointed, so as to give them time to get through

ing sessions on Tuesday and Wednes

Letters and telegrams of regret a inability to be present at the conven-tion have aiready been received from General A. J. Warner, Mr. Harvey, of 'Coin's Financial School;" Senato of Arkansas; Senator Black lones. burn, of Kentucky; Senator Peffer, of Kansas, Senator Stewart, of Nevada, and others.

The principal speakers thus far anman forms pleading for help to escape from their perilous positions. It was not alought at that time, however, that the flames would complete the down on those delving in the rules. The principal speakers thus far an nounced are Governor McConneil, of Idaho; Hou R. M. Beatty, attorney general of Nevada; R. G. McClellan, Timothy G. Phelps, Justice Bonnifield. nothy G. Phelps, Justice Bonninel of the supreme court of Nevada; Hon. H. F. Bartine, William Woodburn, of Nevada; W. A. Massey, of Nevada; Stephen M. White, Thomas V. Cater, night with the aid of two seatchlights. M. M. Estee, Hon. C. M. Fox, Frederick Ames, A. R. Cotton, F. Waite and A. W. Thompson. It is expected that Miss Phoebe Cousins will deliver eding the work of rescue. The list her lecture on "The Great Silver Con-Up to 7:30 tonight only seven bod-den Calf."

Out of this convention is to con the formation of a local bimetallic league, and copies of the form of con-stitution prepared by the American Bimetallic League have been sent all wer the state

Senator Perkins has written a let for to the league explaining his views in detail on the sliver question. He concludes, however, with the statenent that he feels bound by the freecolnage plank of the Sacramento convention.

A DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM. Washington, Aug. 19.-Ex-Senato Butler of South Carolina called today m Senators Jones and Harris, mem-Circumstances Pointing to the Identity bers of the executive committee appointed by the recent democratic si ver conference, and suggested the following propositions to be advocated by

the sliver democrats: Piest—A repeal of the tax on state bank eleculation. Second-Admit silver to coinage at and with Deputy Hodgson has spent an equality with gold at a ratio of 16

> Third-Retire all greenbacks oin certificates. Fourth-Require national banks t surrender their charters and permit hem to take out state charters under national supervision. Fifth-Take the government entirely

out of the banking business. Sixth-Take the issuance of long time bonds by government. The rev well founded by the fact that the of-ficers found piened to a tree on an old government, but if it is necessary to issue bonds they should be of small denominations in order that our own people can invest their savings

> THE OHIO DEMOCRATS Springfield, O., Aug. 19. -Many dele gates are here tonight, although the issemble until Wednesday. The fight between the free silver and the business men will occur tomorrow even ing when the members of the commi tee on resolutions and other commit tees are selected. There are 808 delegates. The silver men classify them as 348 for free silver, 328 for gold and 137 doubtful. The Brice men claim there are 465 for "honest money. and of the 343 claimed by Thurman men for silver some are doubtful. It is generally believed since the last ountles selected delegates today that the Brice men will control all the organization and will have fourteen ou of twenty-one members of the committee on resolutions. Senator Brice, ex-Governor Campbell and other leaders arrive tomorrow morning and are to dine with John H. Thomas, the free silver leader. This fact is recognized as assuring a compromise before the district meetings are held at 5 p. m. If Mr. Campbell will not run for governor, then John H. Thomas or James Kilburne may be nominated. Both are free silver men.

FATALITY AT ASTORIA.

Three Men Drowned by the Capsizing of a Sloop. Astoria, Aug. 19.-During the regatta estivities today the sloop Monogram, ontaining seventeen persons, was cappeople were thrown into the water. The steamer Alarm rescued all except Lewis Bilger of Portland, John Ossenberger and Frank Meadows, of As-

NO INVESTIGATION.

Questioned.

Platform for Silver Attack on the Railroad Pool.

Various Propositions Suggested Which | Chandler of New Hampshire Reminds the Interstate Commerce Commission What's Going On.

> WASHINGTON, Aug. 19,-The recent decision of the acting attorney general that Ransom's appointment minister to Mexico was unconstitutional because he was appointed while serving as a senator in congress, which ister, has started reports that various other officials are illegally holding office for the same reason. Among the cases mentioned is that of Judge Mc Kenna, who, while serving as a mem-ber of the fifty-second congress, was appointed circuit judge of Northern California. But as nine additional circuit judges were created by the preceding congress (although McKenna was a member of that congress) the constitutional inhibition, it is said, does not apply against him.

ATTACKING THE R. R. POOL. Concord, N. H., Aug. 19.-Following is a copy of a letter addressed by Hon. William F. Chandler to the interstate

onsmerce commission: "The New York Tribune yesterday announces a meeting in that city the sixteen presidents appointed by the Trunk Line association to formulate means of maintaining east-bound and west-bound rates and says an agreement has been reached to be finally considered in September, it being in the meantime an evident impropriety to make known the details of he agreement.

These agreements to prevent law and to secure high rates of railroad transportation have been under cor sideration for several months. The mbination will be the greatest asso ciation of capital the world has ever known. It embraces all American lines between Chicago and the West and New York and the East, and also the Grand Trunk railway of Canada. doubtless covering \$3,000,000,000 of organized money. The Canadian Pa-cific road is not included, fortunately for New England.

"The object is to abolish the combi nation freight and passenger rates; to guard against any possible lowering of prices and to accomplish as soon as traffle will bear it the raising of present charges.

"In view of the Immense interest involved, affecting the public who are to pay as well as the railroads who are to receive the sums charged for transportation by the different companies constituting this great combina tion. I desire to ask whether the in terstate commerce commission, as an appropriate and faithful guardian of the rights of the people as agains railroad exactions, is watching and investigating this situation by the resent combination, for the purpose of discovering whether its proposed agreement will be in accordance with common law and with the laws of states against pooling and trusts, with a view, if they are illegal, of preventing if possible their confirmation instead of allowing them to enter unrestricted into full operation."

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC. Chicago, Aug. 19 .- The Tribune will may tomorrow: "During the past few weeks there has been a great deal said in the newspapers in regard to the Northern Pacific railroad and the rival plans for its reorganization While it is of great public interest that such an immense property should be lifted from bankruptcy and placed on a solvent basis it is very evident that any reorganization to be success ful must be made on a plan of place ing the fixed charges of annual interest within a limit the company can earn over and above operating ex-penses, taxes, etc. The earnings for eleven months ending May 31, 1895, were \$5,311,921. The outlay amounts to \$5,708,377, showing an actual loss for the eleven months of the present

A PENNSYLVANIA STORM.

Pittsburg Visited by Rain, Lightning Pittsburg, Aug. 19.—Last night's storm was the most terrific and destructive that has visited this city in many years. It came without warning at a time when the parks were filled with people and the river boats crowded with excursionists. As far as known three lives were lost, and a score of persons were injured, two fatally. Property was damaged to the

The storm struck the city about 10 o'clock and was over in half an hour Rain came down in torrents, accompanied by vivld lightning and terrific wind. Houses were unroofed, trees uprooted and fences and outhouses de-

molished. So tremendous was the force of the tornado that the steamers Lud Keefer large in the yards when the crop Little Bill and Arlington were over turned, and many barges, coalboats and small craft were torn from their moorings and sent adrift. The passenger barge Dakota was forced against the Smithfield street bridge and her side crushed in. She sank in several

feet of water. The steamer Courler, with 900 pas sengers on board, was swept with water, and her passengers became panie-stricken, but Captain Klif succeeded in making a landing at Pain-ter's mills and all were discharged from the boat in safety.

While the wind was at its greatest

height an unknown woman attempted

to cross Point bridge, but was caught in the whirlwind and blown into the river and drowned. Thousands of people were at Schnely park. When the storm came sized by a guest of wind and all the on there was a rush for shelter. The wind had prostrated the electric light wires, and several women were serithree, who were drowned. They are ously shocked by coming in contact year by one-third. The vines are not with them. On Second avenue the

feed wire was broken, and in attempt-

fatally shocked. elevator of Henderson & Johnson, in by flooding. In Sonoma county the hospital wards, one sorely wounded,

damage was done to small buildings. and many trees were uprooted in the parks, but, as far as reported, no per sons were injured.

On Arch street, in this city, a new brick building was blown over, crush-ing a double frame building adjoining occupied by Mrs. Daly, with one child, and Mrs. Pricer, with three children. They were dug out and are unhurt. THE CHARNEL HOUSE GONE.

The Holmes Castle in Chicago Burned by Accident.

Chicago, Ang. 19.-H H. Holmes

"castle," at Sixty-third and Wallace streets, which is said to have been the scene of numerous murders by the owner, was discovered to be on fire at 12:30 this morning. After an hour of hard work the firemen succeeded in getting the flames under control, but not until after they had left the more of a curiosity than it was while being searched by the police for evi-dence of murder. The fire had its origin in the restrurant occupied by J. H. Barton, and was caused by the ex-plosion of a lamp. An immense crowd gathered to witness the fire, and during the progress the remarks of those present indicated that neighborhood was not sorry to be rid of the notorious building. Some one caused some excitement by asking where the Quinlan family was. Pat Quintan and his wife and Farmer Owen were released by the police Saturday, but none of them have sine been seen about the building. When the fire had eaten its way through the cond floor, it began to consume the effects of the Quinlans, and for a time it was thought that some member of the family might be in the apartments. Investigation by the firemen however, disclosed no sign of life, and t was afterwards said that the Quin lands had gone to the farm in Michigan, where their daughter had been taying since their arrest. The house iold furniture of the Quinlans was de stroyed. The total loss, however, will ot, it is said, be much over \$15,000. The restaurant in which the thre tarted is on the ground floor. The dames jumped up through the dummy elevator, and burned the asbesto off the dead walls, in such a manus that the police will be unable to make my further inves tigation, even i they desired to do so. People mained about the building all night. and the police had hard work to keep them from plueing themselves in po-

injured by falling timbers. HANDCAR VS. TRAIN

The Handear and Occupants Are the Sufferers

first serious accident to mar the pleaure of those who are sojourning he occurred at 6 o'clock this moraing Dwight Hinman, a section hand, em ployed on the L. R. & N. railway, bor rowed a handcar of L. A. Loomi president of the road, and started for Ocean Park, much against the wishes of the latter, who told him the train was due. There was a dense fog at he time, and between Ocean Park and the lifesaving station Hinman ran it to the train. He was thrown from th ear, which pinned him to the track and two coaches passed over his righ leg, necessitating amputation. Fulton of Portland, is of the beliethat his injuries are fatal. Hipman a married mar and the father of sev eral children. No blame is attache o the engineer of the train

HOW HOPS HOP

Puyallup Commerce: Hop yards this vicinity that have been wel sprayed are in good condition, but hose that have not been well tended to are very lousy and the hops w not be worth picking.

Yakima Republic: "The fact of the matter is," said a man prominent hop interests, "those who are disering so much cause for woe in th present outlook for hops this fall are not friends of the growers, by any means. Representatives of large buyers in the East and in London are al ways adroit in their work of discouraging the growers and never lose an opportunity to create a panic among producers in order to promote the i terests of buyers in the matter of se curing favorable contracts for the lat ter. The manner in which they work reporters to take a pitying view of th growers' situation is simply the finess of sharpers. It is a fact," he continued, "that the yield this year is short everywhere. That certainly doesn't cipally referring to Dr. Holmes. The nourish the buyers' interest in the low prices. In many sections from which heports come regularly it is conceded that first grade hops will not abundant. While we do not enjoy th loss of others in this respect, that fact, serious as it may be to some, is an encouragement to us to believe that th quality of hop we produce will be specially in demand, if there be any

demand at all for good hops." Chehalis Nugget: have finished spraying. The lice are not very numerous now. The question of getting pickers is now being discussed everywhere. There are a go many who think that it will not be possible to get the crop picked this year at 75c a box. Pickers can't make any money at that price, and if other work continues to be easy to get as I is now, the crowds will not be very ready to harvest.

Hops are looking well through this ction and a good quality is anticipat ed from the present standpoint; the yield will be below the average. English cables speak of unfavorable weather and estimates are being reduced to 15200,000 old duty. tinent of Europe expects to harvest, if weather conditions are favorable, about three-fifths of last year's crop. Otsego Republican.

The Kentish Observer of the 1st inst. reports copious rains the previous week, which benefitted the hop yards materially, in so far as quality is con-cerned. Mould is prevalent. Estimates place the yield below that of an

arming out as usual, and there are many miss hills caused by wire and ing to repair it Conductor Adams was grub worms. In Yolo county the on the south side the large grain corp is still shorter, being only one-on the south side the large grain fourth to one-half of last year, caused light conduct two men are lying in feet, and I was fastened in tightly except for the window. I was not hurd, but lost no time in getting out of the building." Many others had similar experiences.

The hotel was divided about the center by a court running to the top of the building. The building had been split in two at this point and the entire five stories back of the return for the law, were thrown into a shapeless mass in were thrown into a shapeless mass in the alley. Out of a pile of brick and

Highest of all in Leavening Power .- Latest U.S. Gov't Report

Causes of the Doctors' Tragedy.

Hospital. An Effort to Prejudice the Public

Scandals of Portland

Apparent-Latest News. PORTLAND, Aug. 17.-The Evening Telegram this afternoon publishes the following particulars of the unfor

Against Dr. Holmes Is now

tunate tragedy of yesterday: As is usually the case where men shoot and stab and kill each other, yesterday's desperate duel between Doctors Holmes and Ausplund had a woman at the bottom of it. The wom an in this case is Mrs. Dr. Chambers The Quixotic knight errantry of Dr. Ausplund in attempting to right an alleged wrong done her through aspersions east on her conduct and character by Dr. Holmes, resulted in the shooting.

The trouble dates back six months and brings out a state of affairs at the Portland hospital which is certainly not conducive to its proper manage-

Dr. Ausplund and Mrs. Dr. Chamers were both graduated from the same class at the hospital, and have been fast friends ever since becom ing acquainted. After graduation the two were much about the hospital, and in various ways managed to raise a feeling of antagonism between then selves and certain members of the board of directors and visiting physiclans. This was noticeably so in Ausplund's case, he not being willing to stay in the background and give place o the older physicians when operaions were being performed, but indsted on taking the lead. This was resented by the other physicians, and particularly so by Holmes, who repeatedly alluded to Ausplund as a lovice. The latter is of a sensitive temperament, and prone to take insult. and the sneers of Holmes cut him to the quick, making him a bitter

Then came the scandal which in volved Superintendent Johnson and Mrs. Dr. Chambers, their being constantly together and their familiar con duct toward one another finally bring ing a protest from the nurses, who felt they were being placed in an equivocal position by tolerating the familiarity of the superintendent and lada physician. The matter being brought before the

directory, an investigation was ordered

which resulted in Superintendent Johnson and Dr. Chambers being acquitted of anything radically wrong. out they were remonstrated with on their close associations as being against the discipline of the hospital This glossing over of the matter lid not satisfy the nurse, nor Dr Holmes, who had championed their cause before the board of directors, and the board was informed that unless Superintendent Johnson was at once removed the nurses, or at leas 14 of the corps, would immediately leave the institution, Dr. Holmes also announcing his determination to re sign unless such action was taken Superintendent Johnson was not re

moved, and the nurses left, as did Dr This action, Dr. Ausplund took as bitter insuit to his friend, Mrs. Dr. Chambers, and also a covert insinuation that the charges brought of inti macy with Johnson were fully grounded. Wild with indignation he expressed himself bitterly against those whe had instigated the investigation prinspeeches of Ausplund were carried to the latter, who replied in the same vein, his language being bitterly derisive. Holmes' expressions, of course reached Ausplund, and the fight WAS OIL

During this time Drs. Ausplund and Chambers were much together, the former showing a chivalrous regard for his former classmate, and often expressing his determination to right the wrong he believed had done her through the action of Holmes and the nurses in resigning. The sub ject was ever uppermost in his mind, and a few days ago he declared that he would have a retraction from Holmes of his action and the statements made, or do something des-

DRAWING THE RETRACTIONS. The next two days Ausplund busied himself in drawing up three separate retractions to be presented to Holmes. and which he was to sign even at the point of the pistol. The longest and most verbose of the papers, and now in the hands of Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald, treats solely of Mrs. Dr. Chambers; her charms as a wom an, learning as a physician, and the base faisity of the statements made by Holmes concerning her, all being dwelt on at length. The second retraction concerns the attack made on the hospital management, while the third, already published and which was shot through during the duel, re-lates to Ausplund and the insults he had received from Holmes and "confederates.'

It is alleged these retractions were ubmitted by Ausplund to Mrs. Dr. Chambers and by her fully approved, the woman adding the flame to the man's mad rage by commendations say: The hop crop in Sacramento of his errand, and appealing to Ausphund's weakest point by lauding his year by one-third. The hop crop in Sacramento of his errand, and appealing to Ausphund's weakest point by lauding his year.

THE RESULT The details of yesterday's duel have been fully written, and as a result of

ing than mere friendship and goaded into frenzy by Holmes' taunting speech Ausplund drew his pistol and attempted to fulfill his threat of forcing the signing of the retractions.

Then the firing commenced.

At a late hour this afternoon Dr. Holmes was resting easily with every prospect of recovery, while Ausplund's condition is serious in the extreme, the physician fearing for the worst when the fever incident to gun-shot wounds sets in.

SOME ADDITIONAL FACTS. Further probing today into the cause leading to the sanguinary duel be-tween Drs. Holmes and Ausplund dis-closes some hitherto suppressed facts. In an interview of two trustees of the Portiand beauty Portland hospital this afternoon, a Telegram reporter gleaned the follow-

ing information: About a year ago Superintendent Johnson, of that infirmary, urged the appointment of Dr. Holmes to the chair of gynecology, representing him to be a very able man. Several members of the board objected to the ap-pointment because of Holmes' known appetite for drink. It was then stated in his defense that he had abandoned that habit months before, and for all time to come, because he realized that it was injuring his professional prospects; and he was appointed to the chair for which Superintendent John-son had recommended him. Holmes kept straight for about four months, which fact was reported to the executive board, following which charges were preferred against Holmes, accusing him of drankenness, profanity, neglect of patients, etc. An investigation into these accusations was made, the most of which Holmes confessed himself as being guilty. The executive board subsequently called for his resignation, which was sent in, and was accepted, with but one dissenting vote, on the 9th of August, After that, it is alleged, Holmes tried by all means, fair and foul, to "down" Superintendent Johnson, and to besmirch the good name of the hospital.

HOLMES' VINDICTIVENESS. Yesterday morning Dr. Holmes sent word to T. A. Wood, one of the hospital trustees, to meet him in the office of City Physician Wheeler, as he desired to lodge charges against the The doctor must have been laboring under a high pressure of excitement because before meeting Mr. Wood he had attempted to assault President Habighorst, of the executive board. After Holmes had outlined the character of his charges in Dr. Wheeler's office, in the presence of Mr. Wood, the latter suggested that a full, fair and impartial investigation should be

made into the management of the infirmary. He added that the board would be only too glad to follow any directions given for its improvement, Dr. Holmes and Mr. Wood, leaving Dr. Wheeler's office, walked together down Washington street, and stopped in front of the Dekum building. There Holmes' excitement grew in intensity,

and in the presence of several listeners, he said: This is the first gun, Now you take warning. I intend to crush the Portland hospital." The person with whom this inter-view was had stated that Holmes

acted ike a wild man as he spoke, Mr. Wood answered: "Doctor, you have tendered your res ignation, and it was accepted. Now, your work is done." "I shall ruin the hospital!" exclaimed

Holmes, with more vehemence than

"No man with a vindictive spirit can succeed in a matter of this kind," mildly replied Mr. Wood. "Acts prompted by malice will harm you. I dvise you to do nothing rash. "By G-d, I want you to understand that I don't allow no man to give me advice!" Holmes acted so franti-

cally that Mr. Wood walked away

without saying another word. Just

then Dr. Ausplund walked up to Dr. Holmes, with the result already THE PATIENTS' CONDITION. Portland, Aug. 17.-The condition of both participants in yesterday's sensational shooting suffered no material change today. Dr. Ausplund is resting as easily tonight as could be expected of one in his condition. Dr.

Holmes is doing well and his ultimate recovery seems assured.

RAPID TRANSIT. From Private Life to Penitentiary 30 Years in Four Days.

Susanville, Cal., Aug. 19.-Ed. Hilder, proprietor of the Hotel Milford, was arrested August 15th for criminally assaulting his 14-year-old stepdaughter, was arraigned on the 17th tried on the 18th and today sentenced to 30 years' imprisonment at Folsom. BAD BLAZE IN UTAHL

was destroyed by fire today and a large number of people were left

Salt Lake, Aug. 19 .- A special to

he Tribune from Bingham, Utah, says

property to the amount of \$200,000

Brooklyn, Aug. 19 .- Brooklyn 7; Philadelphia-Boston 9; Philadel-

Highest Honors-World's Fair, Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair.

Awarded



40 Years the Standard.

BALLS, BATS AND BASES. New York 3. Washington-Pittsburg 9; Washing-