

WATER WORKS SUIT.

THE OPINION OF AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

No Credence Given to the Story That Mrs. Stanford Proposes to Sell Some of Her Southern Pacific Railroad Interests—Bond Purchase.

OLYMPIA.—The State Land Commission has decided to purchase \$75,000 of 6 per cent funding bonds of Skagit county, subject to the approval of the Attorney-General.

Gold Discovery in Utah. SALT LAKE.—The excitement over the new gold discoveries is running high in the little town of Lehi, Utah, about thirty miles south of this city.

A Shingle Fight. TACOMA.—It looks as though there was going to be a bitter fight between the shingle manufacturers and dealers.

Insurance Adjusted. SAN FRANCISCO.—There was quite a sensation in insurance circles in this city when it became known that the Alliance Insurance Company of London had settled with Byron E. Reich.

Irrigation for Idaho. BOISE.—The State Committee on Irrigation held an interesting session recently.

Mills Preparing to Reopen. ARDEN.—An interest in the Mat mill has been sold to Alexander Ponton, the well-known and successful logger of Hoquiam.

Archbishop Desires to Aid. OLYMPIA.—Architect Rattenbury of Victoria has written Auditor Grimes a letter concerning the report said to be current in British Columbia that the Capitol Commission had asked Rattenbury what there would be in it for the commissioners if his plan was adopted.

Port Townsend.—A private letter from Juneau, brought down by the steamer Mexico, says that up to the time of writing no solution of the Treaswell work robbery has been arrived at.

Negro Convicted of Murder. SEATTLE.—William Holmes, a negro mine driver at the Franklin coal mines, was convicted of murder in the first degree in killing his roommate, William Russell, at the mines January 25.

COUNTY WARRANTS.

Case Involving the Legal Rate of Interest Argued. OREGON.—The last Legislature set the legal rate of interest from 6 to 10 per cent.

Arrangements Perfected for Paying the Obligations of Two Canneries. ASTORIA.—It is understood that arrangements have been made by Ann C. R. Berle, representing the house of Rod Kanaw of Hamburg.

SMALL RESERVATIONS.

WILSON WANTS THEM OPENED FOR SETTLEMENT.

Legality of the Bonds Upheld, But the City is Enjoined. WALLA WALLA.—The case of the Walla Walla Water Company against the city of Walla Walla, to restrain the city from establishing a water plant of its own, was decided by Judge Hanford in the United States Court this afternoon.

THE ROVING ARMY. GOVERNOR MCKINLEY'S EYE WILL BE ON COXY'S MEN. COLUMBUS, O.—Governor McKinley gave out the following official statement to-night of his attitude toward the Coxy army, which is marching from Massillon next Sunday.

Railroad Men Do Not Expect a Sale of Her Southern Pacific Stock. SAN FRANCISCO.—Railroad men who know something of the condition of the Stanford estate and its relations to the Southern Pacific give no credence to the story that Mrs. Stanford proposes to sell some of her railroad interests.

Oregon Has No Jurisdiction in the State of Washington. OLYMPIA.—Assistant Attorney-General Haight, advising State Fish Commissioner Crawford concerning the opinion of the Judge of the Circuit Court of Clatsop county, Or., who held that fishery of the State of Washington, fishing in the waters of the railroad interests, is in violation of the laws of this State.

BAZAR CASE ENDED. Puget Sound Bank Gets Preference—Other Creditors Follow After. SEATTLE.—The law suit growing out of the alleged failure of the Seawall Bazar, owned by Samuel Levy, has been settled by Judge Langley.

EUROPE WANTS FRESH SALMON. Arrangements Perfected for Paying the Obligations of Two Canneries. ASTORIA.—It is understood that arrangements have been made by Ann C. R. Berle, representing the house of Rod Kanaw of Hamburg.

WASHINGTON CITY NEWS.

Secretary Smith has approved the application of "Pawnee Bill" for a loan of thirty-five Sioux Indians to be exhibited at the Antwerp Exhibition.

Senator Call of the Senate Committee on Appropriations has reported to the Senate the bill for the loan of thirty-five Sioux Indians to be exhibited at the Antwerp Exhibition.

It is intimated upon good authority that the President is strongly disposed to use a portion of the surplus in his disposal for the establishment of a naval coaling station in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

The President has transmitted to the Senate all motions for the possession of the Bluefields (Nicaragua) incident and the landing of British troops at Bluefields was taken for the purpose of protecting the lives of property of the residents and with no intention of violating treaty rights.

Estimates of the amount of revenue under the new tariff bill reported to the Senate will probably show the total amount to be about \$11,000,000.

THE IRRIGATION CONGRESS. A Series of Resolutions Prepared by the Executive Committee. OMAHA.—Nearly the entire morning meeting of the Interstate Irrigation Congress was spent in executive session.

Land of California made a strong speech that attracted much attention in the House the other day during the session of the House on the bill to open public lands to settlement of the Pacific coast.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that it is the duty of Congress to make an appropriation to test the practicability of the following methods of irrigation for these plains.

MILITARY RESERVATIONS. Bill Before Congress for the Abandonment of Some of Them. WASHINGTON.—The other day the House was considering a bill for the abandonment of certain military reservations and allowing them to be opened for settlement.

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M. CASIMIR-PERIER.

HE SWAYS THE FRENCH SENATE AND PREVENTS A CRISIS.

Irish National League of Great Britain Calls the Irish Leaders Hard Names—International Salvation Army Congress—Belgian Cabinet Resigns.

BRUSSELS.—King Leopold has been notified by telegraph that his Cabinet has resigned.

London.—The Westminster Gazette says Gladstone will occasionally make his appearance in the Commons and will retain his old seat on the treasury benches.

London.—The estimated government expenditures for the coming year, which will be required to be met by the budget, amount to 456,682,666.

London.—Replying to a question in the Commons, the Secretary to the Admiralty said that in 1893 France launched battle ships of an aggregate tonnage of 12,400 and the United States 30,000.

London.—The Irish National League of Great Britain has issued a manifesto to the Irish people concerning Lord Salisbury's explanation of his attitude toward the Home Rule bill.

London.—An appeal has been filed in the Supreme Court to set aside the order of the Circuit Court of the United States in the case of the Hawaiian Islands.

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AN INSANE MAN'S TERROR.

Only a Conductor's Courage Prevented a Panic in a Street Car.

A big, broad shouldered, handsome man boarded a Russell avenue car at Wisconsin street and took a seat near the front door.

Suddenly he jumped up and rushed to the door of the car, throwing his arms wildly, as though beating off an assailant.

"Shoot him! Shoot him!" he shouted to the conductor.

"Shoot him quick, or I'll have to pull his head off—I can't stand this any longer. He's after me! Shoot him, I say, or I'll pull his head off!"

The conductor went into the car and pretended to take somebody out of the car corner and push him out of the front door.

He assured them that he would keep the outside and get rid of him as soon as possible.

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ADVANCE IN FARMING.

THE AVERAGE FARMER THE BALANCE WHEEL OF SOCIETY.

The Varying Estimates Placed on What is Known as the "Average Farmer"—A Patriot, the Bone and Sinew of the Country, Etc.

It is curious to note the varying estimates that seem to be placed by the other professions on what is known as the "average farmer."

It is always said, however, to judge a class of men by the work which it performs, and judged from this standpoint, the average farmer averages up quite well.

They are the measure and expression of his actual efforts. They do not by any means show what the average farmer can do, but what he has done so far.

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Advertisement for Simmons' Liver Regulator, featuring an illustration of the product and text describing its benefits for liver health.

Advertisement for Portland Cement, listing various brands and their specifications.

Advertisement for various agricultural products, including wool, hides, and different types of sheep.

Advertisement for various types of flour, including different grades and brands.

Advertisement for various types of coffee, including different grades and brands.

Advertisement for various types of butter, including different grades and brands.

Advertisement for Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder, highlighting its quality and awards.