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Notice of Final Settlement.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of Jeremiah H. Mason deceased, has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Benton County, her final account as such administratrix of said estate and that Wednesday the 8th day of July 1903, at the hour of one o'clock p. m., has been fixed by said court as the time for hearing objections to said report, and the settlement thereof.
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Notice of Final Settlement.
Notice is hereby given that I, G. R. Farra as administrator of the estate of Thomas Graham deceased, have filed my final account as such administrator in the County Court of Benton County, Oregon, and the said court has fixed Wednesday the 8th day of July 1903, at the hour of 1 o'clock in the afternoon said day as the time, and the county court room in the county court house in Corvallis, Oregon, as the place for hearing any and all objections to the said final account and for settlement thereof.
Dated this June 5, 1903.
G. R. Farra,
Administrator of the estate of Thomas Graham, deceased.

Administrator's Notice.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Benton, administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Jane Shipley, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby requested to present the same properly verified as by law required at the office of Yates & Yates, Corvallis, Oregon within six months from the date hereof.
Dated at Corvallis, Oregon, this 19th day of May, 1903.
A. J. SHIPLEY,
Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Jane Shipley, deceased.

HUNDREDS DEAD.

AS CONSEQUENCE OF EXPLOSION IN COAL MINE.

Barrett Gets a Job—Iowa Republicans Hold State Convention and Agree on Tariff Plank—Both Factions Claim Victory.

Hanna, Wyo., June 30.—At 10:30 A. M. today an explosion of fire damp in mine No. 1 of the Union Pacific Coal Company snuffed out the lives of 236 men, and injured scores of others, and caused the destruction of a vast amount of property. The mine was not fired, as stated in the early reports, but the explosion was terrific, and completely shattered the timbers of the main shaft and numerous entrances, filled the workings with debris, and those of the miners that were not killed outright by the explosion were buried alive.

The explosion was heard for many miles around, and attracted people from the adjoining settlement. Huge timbers and railroad iron were hurled from the mouth of the shaft a distance of 200 and 300 feet. Superintendent E. S. Brooks and a large force of men went to work with a will to remove the debris from the shaft and reach the entombed miners. Their progress into the mine was blocked by the foul gases, and several times they were forced to the surface.

All day the rescuing party worked, the force being increased from time to time by the arrival of ranchmen and others from nearby settlements, and by those of a relief train sent out from Rawlins, which arrived about 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

About 1 o'clock this afternoon four men were taken out alive, and half an hour later they were followed by 42 others. Many were unconscious and had to be carried from the workings. Some were injured, but none fatally. Several are in a critical condition. But it is believed all will recover.

Two hundred and eighty-two men went down in the mine at 7 o'clock this morning, and up till a late hour tonight only 48 have been accounted for. Of this number two are dead. It was some time after the explosion occurred that the first man was brought to the surface. He was followed by others until 1 o'clock, when the last were brought out. The rescuers were unable to penetrate further into the mine until additional openings had been made to permit fresh air to reach the lower levels and clear away the foul gases.

Horses and scrapers were put at work hauling debris away from the shaft, and cars were pushed down the incline, loaded and hauled back up the tippel and dumped. The work is progressing slowly, owing to the narrow space in which the rescuers are compelled to operate, but by daylight the mine should be opened sufficiently to permit of deep explorations and the rescue of the dead bodies.

Late tonight a party of rescuers reached four miles that were alive, and this caused hopes to arise in the breasts of the tired workers and the anxious women and children gathered about the shaft. It is faint hope, however, for experienced mine bosses and miners say that when the imprisoned men are reached all will be found dead. Some of the miners that escaped said that they saw twenty dead bodies in entry No. 17.

They reported that many of the men were crazed by the explosion, and ran hither and thither in the mine. Many of these could have escaped, but they laid down, buried their faces in their hands and gave up the fight.

Of the 243 dead about 175 were married and leave large families. About 100 were Finlanders, 50 were colored and the remainder were Americans.

The scenes at the mines are heart-rending. Wives and children of men who are known to have been inside constantly hang about the shaft, kept only by cooler heads from plunging in to the dark abyss.

Washington, June 30.—John Barrett, of Portland, ex-minister to Siam, is to be appointed minister to Argentina to succeed ex-Gov-

nor Lord, whose term expires October 16. Although Barrett's friends have known for some time that he was to get this position, they had been pledged to secrecy, and the announcement was to have been deferred until Barrett could close up his work with the St. Louis exposition.

Barrett, it is understood, is President Roosevelt's choice for the Argentine mission. The president greatly admires the Oregon man, and only last winter wanted to make him minister to Japan. When the appointment was declined by Barrett, because of objections raised by the Japanese government, the president looked about for another place for him, and it was not until he heard of the coming retirement of ex-Governor Lord that he decided upon Barrett's appointment.

De Moines, Ia., July 1.—The ticket:

Governor — A. B. Cummings, Des Moines.

Supreme Judge—Charles A. Bishop, of Des Moines.

Railroad Commissioner — David Palmer, of Washington.

State Superintendent—James C. Riggs, of Sigourney.

The Republican State Convention nominated the foregoing ticket and adopted a platform of principles. All the candidates were nominated by acclamation, with the exception of State Superintendent, for which office Mr. Riggs was nominated on the third ballot, his opponents being present Superintendent R. C. Barrett, of Osage, and H. L. Adams, of West Union.

Harmony marked the proceedings of the convention, all of its actions being by unanimous vote, with the exception of the nomination of State Superintendent, but after the ticket had been completed and the platform adopted speeches were made which indicated that the Republican leaders of the state are not entirely agreed as to the details of tariff policy. The tariff plank adopted was one prepared by Senator Allison, after conference with representative Republicans of the state. No objection was made to it in the committee on resolutions, nor on its presentation to the convention. Governor Cummings in his speech accepting renomination approved the platform in its entirety, but announced that he would continue to hold to all the views expressed in his speeches within the last two years.

Senators Allison and Dolliver who made speeches, endorsed the platform as a correct statement of Republican principles, but Representative Lacey, of the Sixth District, and representative Consious of the Fourth, spoke in opposition to the tariff changes.

While as heretofore stated the action of the convention was entirely harmonious, both wings of the party are claiming victory tonight. Governor Cummings and his supporters say that today's tariff plank contains in substance all that is found in last year's plank while the "standpatters" are congratulating themselves upon the elimination of the "shelter-to-trusts" clause, which attracted so much attention to the Iowa platform of 1901 and 1902. There were but two contests today involving the questions of relative strength and the two wings of the party, and these ended with honors even. The tariff plank is as follows:

"We reiterate our faith in the historic policy of protection. Under its influences our country, foremost in the bounties of nature, has become foremost in production. It has enabled the laborer to successfully insist upon good wages and has induced capital to engage in production with a reasonable hope of a fair reward. Its vindication is found in the history of its success and the rapidity with which our National resources have been developed and our industrial independence secured, and we heartily renew our pledge to maintain it.

"Tariff rates enacted to carry this policy into effect should be just fair and impartial, equally opposed to foreign control and domestic monopoly, to sectional discrimination and individual favoritism, and must from time to time be changed to meet the varying conditions incident to the process of our industries and their changing relations in our foreign and domestic commerce. Duties that are too low should be increased, and duties that are too high should be reduced.

THE TRACY REWARD.

THE COURTS MAKE AN AWARD OF IT TO THOSE WHO CAPTURED HIM.

The Amount was Twenty-five Hundred—Jury Hung in the Huntington Trial at Baker City.

Davenport, Wash., June 30.—At conclusion of the testimony in the Tracy reward case Judge Neal took the case from the jury and instructed them to bring in a verdict in favor of the plaintiffs, who are the Creston posse. No arguments were made to the jury. All of the defendants except Goldfinch had previously withdrawn their claims. The reward is \$2500. The Oregon reward, which was received by the Creston men, was \$1500. Goldfinch will take an appeal.

The jurors are indignant at being compelled to sign a verdict which they did not reach. Almost to a man they stated after the trial they would have given Goldfinch an interest in the reward. The verdict gives general satisfaction, except that Goldfinch is left out. Public sentiment in the county is strongly in favor of the boy and the Creston posse. The trial has lasted 24 days and has aroused deep interest.

The fact that Goldfinch did not communicate directly to Tracy's captors the news of the outlaws whereabouts lessened his chances of interest in the reward. An effort was made to show that Goldfinch, acting through Sheriff Gardner, captured Tracy. The defense, however, failed to show that Gardner made the capture. This left no chance for Goldfinch to recover.

Baker City, June 30.—The trial of ex-Sheriff Huntington came to an end with a hung jury this afternoon. The jury remained out all night and came into court early this morning and asked the judge to read his instructions again. They retired and deliberated until noon, when they again came in and asked to be discharged, because the foreman said they could not agree. They were practically agreed on the general verdict, but could not agree on the amount of the sum embezzled by Huntington. The judge sent them out again and kept them until 3 o'clock, when they were discharged.

The law requires that in case the jury finds the defendant guilty, then they must specify the amount he has embezzled. One of the jurymen said that if they could have agreed on this sum they could have agreed upon a verdict. The first ballot was 8 for conviction and four for acquittal, and later it is said there were 11 for conviction and one for acquittal. This was on the general verdict. On the amount to be named in the verdict they were very much divided. The case will now go over to the November term.

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