

IN THE SEVERAL COURTS

INSIDE HISTORY OF THE SALE OF THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK.

Cashier Dooley Subjected to a Long Cross-Examination as to Details of the Transaction.

R. M. Dooley, cashier of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Bank, was subjected to a long cross-examination yesterday afternoon by Judge O'Day, one of plaintiff's counsel, in the suit of George H. Williams and Henry Wenhart against the Commercial National Bank. Mr. Dooley testified that on July 11, 1898, the assets of the Commercial National Bank were sold to Wells, Fargo & Co. for \$250,000, including the cash belonging to the bank.

The attorney desired to know the full particulars of the transaction, and propounded many searching questions, and Mr. Dooley admitted that the Commercial National Bank was handed to the witness to refresh his memory upon material points.

Judge O'Day also used the books somewhat, and finally asked: "On October 4, 1897, is not that the date you liquidated the account of the Commercial National Bank?" Mr. Dooley admitted that this was about correct.

Counsel—After that date you kept no cash account with the Commercial National Bank? Witness—Not unless the books show it.

"Was it merely a bookkeeping entry, a transfer to Wells, Fargo & Co.?" "Yes; merely a bookkeeping entry."

"Did you make the transfer of the cash account in that book, ledger No. 3, that you have in your hand?" "Yes."

"How many claims did you consider good when Wells, Fargo & Co. bought the assets?" "Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars."

"Where is that item?" "In the book?" "Yes, it is all in the book."

"You asked me how many assets I considered good at that date?" "Where is it in the book?" "It would be impossible to tell without figuring it out in the books."

SHIPMENTS WILL HEAVY

WHEAT AND FLOUR TO AFRICA, SIBERIA, EUROPE AND ORIENT.

County of Merioneth Clears for Cape Town—Troubles of the Margretha—Marine Notes.

Twenty-one cargoes of wheat for Europe, Africa and Japan, two steamship cargoes of flour for the Orient and a steamship cargo of flour for Siberia is not a bad record for any one year to start with. This is Portland's record for 1905 to date, and is more wheat and flour than has been shipped from all other North-western ports combined since last October.

The jury for the March term of the State Circuit Court, to report Monday, March 5, has been drawn as follows: E. M. Van Schoick, carpenter, Montecello.

THE MARGRETHA'S TROUBLES. German Ship Adds Another Chapter to Her Hard-Luck Story. The logbook of the German ship Margretha for the past few days is like a continued hard-luck story, with the chapter for the last month or two being perhaps the most interesting of the lot.

After taking aboard about 200 tons, the vessel straightened up on an even keel and permitted the bilge water to run back into the hull, and as soon as its presence was made known by the master's steward, hot footed for his agents and called a survey, with the belief that the vessel was leaking. This fortunately was a false alarm, and after the bilge water was pumped out the vessel headed for Astoria.

Shipbuilding in Norway. According to the Norsk Veritas, the number of sailing vessels building at Norwegian yards at the beginning of this year was 4, of altogether, only 40 regester tons, viz., 3 at Stavanger, 1 at Arendal and 1 at Bergen.

PERSONAL MENTION. P. Gilmore, of Astoria, is registered at the Perkins.

W. J. Andrews, of San Francisco, is registered at the Perkins.

W. H. Rose, an attorney of Castle Rock, Wash., is at the Perkins.

W. R. Duffield and wife, Walter Shaw and wife, of Tacoma, are at the Perkins.

CAREER OF DR. LEYDS

PRESTIGE OF THE BOERS' SECRET SERVICE AGENCY.

Past Obscurity and Present Importance—Object of His Intrigues on the Continent.

A year or two ago, says a London letter in the Boston Transcript, Dr. Leyds, wandering up and down Europe as the envoy of the Transvaal to all the courts of law, seemed a rather Euro-pean figure. He was always knocking at doors that would not open to him, striving to play upon public opinion here, there and everywhere, but with little success.

Commercial Wine Four, Multnomah Three and Arlington Two. Last night's results in the interstate bowling contest were: Commercial... 420.00, Multnomah... 320.00, Arlington... 200.00.

STAFF AT ASTORIA. J. E. Barragar... 44, J. T. Cole... 35, F. A. Churchill... 53, R. J. Gault... 25.

SOFAIA ARRIVED ONT. The British ship Sofia, from Portland, for Queenstown, with the vessel Kingdale Thursday, after a rather long passage of 151 days from the Columbia River.

Divorce Suits. Ada A. Smith has sued Ralph Oren Smith for a divorce in the state circuit court and she also demands \$100 to defray the expenses of the proceeding, and \$25 per month permanent alimony.

COURT NOTES. Jacob Joss, a native of Switzerland, was admitted to citizenship in the United States Court yesterday.

Marine Notes. The C. S. Bement will finish loading today. The St. Irene will also finish this afternoon.

POPULATION OF OREGON TOWNS. COQUILLE CITY, OR., Feb. 23.—(To the Editor)—How many towns in the State of Oregon have a population of 1000 inhabitants today?

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DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Feb. 23.—P. M.—Maximum temperature, 65; minimum, 50; wind, S.W. 10-15; rain, 0.10.

WEATHER FORECAST. Forecasts made at Portland for the 24 hours ending at midnight Saturday, Feb. 24.

AMUSEMENTS. MARQUAN GRAND.—CALVIN HEIDLER, Mgr. Three nights and Wednesday Matinee, beginning tonight.

CORONAS THEATRE. Opening of New York and "Tribune" Sensation on Monday, Feb. 19.

EXPOSITION BUILDING. FEB. 24, 8:30 P. M. EXPONENTIAL BUILDING. FEB. 24, 8:30 P. M.

MEETING NOTICES. CAMELIA CHAPTER, No. 27, O. C. E., regular meeting.

DEATHS. WEDDING. At the family residence, 205 1/2 St. St., Feb. 23, 1906, Lena D. Wiedeman.

EDWARD HOLMAN, Undertaker, 4th and Yamhill sts. Rena Stinson, lady assistant. Both phones No. 507.

F. S. DUNNING, Undertaker, 414 East Alder. Lady Assistant, Both phones.

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