CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Amusements Tonight.

MARQUAM GRAND—"The Three Musketeers."
CORDRAY'S THEATER (Washington street)—"Marijana."
METROPOLITAN THEATER (Third street)—"My Precious Baby."

NAPOLEON'S PARIS.—The third evening of the cathedral class of the First Presbyterian Church is being looked forward to with more than usual interest by the large audiences that have attended since the series began. The pastor of the church, Rev. Edgar P. Hill, D. D., will have charge of the evening, and his topic will be "Napoleon's Paris." Added interest attaches to this evening's entertainment owing to the near approach of the much-talked-of Paris Exposition of 1900, and all will be eager to see and hear of the beauties of that city, which by common consent is acknowledged to be the most beautiful of the world. The slides arrived yesterday, and are said to be very fine. The Louvre, the Arc de Triomphe, the Champs Elysees, the Place de la Concorde, the Madeleine, and many other of the noted buildings and historic places of Paris are well represented. Special attention will be given to that world-renowned shrine erected by admiring Frenchmen to their idolized hero, Napoleon.

SELF-DENIAL WEEK.—The Salvation Army has chosen from March 25 to April 2 for a "self-denial week," and will accordingly solicit money for the benefit of the home and foreign mission fund, especially for the missionaries in India. Indian begging bowls, suspended from crude tripods, will be placed on the street corners to receive the subscriptions of all donors, and Army lassies, garbed in the Hindoo costume, will watch over them to take care of the money. Personal solicitation is also being made in the interest of funds. Tomorrow night the Salvation Army will render a programme at the Calvary Baptist Church, on the East Side, at which Brigadier Marshal will explain to the audience the frightful condition of the starving people in India, and make an appeal in their behalf. Major and Mrs. Hawkes, dressed in the native Hindoo costume, will also deliver short talks, and appropriate music will be rendered.

LUCK AT SALMON TROUT.—C. E. Stolte and L. W. Moody, inveterate fishermen, went down to the Elokomin Slough, Sunday, after salmon trout. They were in luck, catching 64 fine fish and beating the season's record. They struck a school of genuine salmon trout just come in, clean run from the sea, as bright as silver and in fine condition—quite a different kind of fish from those which have been in the river all winter. They fished from a boat, and, as can well be imagined, had great sport, although considerably bothered by suckers and chubs, which were as plentiful as the trout. Stolte hooked a monster trout, which got a slant on him and walked away with his leader and hooks, and came near dragging him out of the boat. Moody caught a small flounder, which he brought home as a curiosity, never having caught one so far away from salt water before.

DREDGE FOR CAPE NOME.—A large, red, derrick-looking structure being put together at the foot of Mill street attracts a good deal of attention. It is a dredger intended to separate Cape Nome gold from the sands of the sea shore. It is being built to work in a depth of 15 feet of water, but will not float, and rollers are provided to enable the dredger to be pulled out of harm's way when Behring Sea gets angry at the horde of adventurers who are trying to break into its vast solitude. The machine will handle 500 yards of sand per day, and if this sand should be worth from $10 to $100 per yard, as they say, the owners of the dredger would literally be "finding money." The machine will cost between $5000 and $6000, and will be shipped, knocked down, on the first steamer leaving Portland for the new eldorado.

WELL KNOWN IN PORTLAND.—Judge M. C. George yesterday received word of the sudden death at Milwaukee, Wis., of his cousin, Harold W. Nickerson. He fell unconscious at the Northwestern railway depot, and died in an ambulance while being taken home. Mr. Nickerson came to Portland with Judge George in 1882, and read law in his office. He was admitted to the bar by the Oregon Supreme Court in 1884. He went from here to Iowa, thinking the damp climate here did not agree with him, and 1886 moved to Milwaukee, where he attained prominence in his profession. He was 40 years of age. During his residence in Portland Mr. Nickerson was a well-known figure in Y. M. C. A. circles, and was also an ardent Christian Endeavorer.

RETURNED IN POOR HEALTH.—Miss Molly Burke, who went to Gilroy, Cal., in November last, with her sister Agnes, who was suffering from lung trouble, in hope that the change of climate might benefit her, has returned. For some time the climate seemed to have a beneficial effect, and Miss Burke improved considerably; but a few weeks ago she began to fail, and the physicians recommended that she be brought home. The trip was very trying to her, but was rendered as little so as possible by the kindness and attention of the railroad officials. She is in a very critical condition, and but slight hopes of her recovery are entertained.

OUT-OF-DOORS ALL NIGHT.—The 2-year-old boy of Mr. and Mrs. Olsen, of Highland, who wandered from home at 5 o'clock Saturday evening, and could not be found, although over 100 of the neighbors searched for him till after midnight, is safe. He was found early Sunday morning, lying in the road about three miles from home, sound asleep, and but little the worse off for his outing. The little chap had probably kept wandering along and crying until thoroughly exhausted, and had then lain down and gone to sleep, in spite of the cold and rain.

BANKRUPT SALE.—Sealed bids for stock of hardware, implements and fixtures of W. E. Chandler, bankrupt, Lebanon, Linn County, Or., will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Wednesday, March 28, 1900. Bids must be accompanied by cash or certified check for 10 per cent of the amount thereof. For inspection of goods or inventory apply to Front and Vine streets, Portland, or to my agent at Lebanon, Or. R. L. Sabin, trustee in bankruptcy.

BIDS REJECTED.—The bids received by Frank Hachemy, assignee, for the purchase of the assets of the Union Banking Company, were not satisfactory, and were rejected. He will offer the assets for sale again, and, as will be seen by the advertisement in another column, will receive new sealed proposals up to 10 A. M., March 31, at which time the bids will be opened.

MISSIONARY BASKET MEETING.—The annual basket meeting of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society will be held at the Second Baptist Church, East Ankeny street, tomorrow, at 10:30 A. M. The morning session will be devoted to election of officers and reports. Women will bring their own lunch. The afternoon session will be of general interest, and all are welcome.

FOURTH TALK.—The fourth of the series of talks on "The Poetical Books of the Bible," by Mrs. Louis Altman, will be given today at 2:30, at the Selling-Hirsch building. The subject is "The Book of Proverbs," replete with maxims and poems, not only exalting morality and wisdom, but also having a marked literary charm.

CENSUS OFFICE MOVED.—George F. Telfer, Superintendent of the Census in the Second Congressional District, has opened a permanent office in room 318 Chamber of Commerce. This will be his headquarters until after the census is taken.

OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of this society for the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held in the Unitarian Chapel, this (Tuesday) evening at 7:30. All members are requested to be present.

UMBRELLAS.—Repairing and recovering. Meredith's, Washington, bet. 5th and 6th.

FINEST TURKISH BATHS in the Northwest, third floor Oregonian Building.

PREPARING FOR DOG SHOW.—Things are beginning to take business-like shape in the affairs of the Kennel Club. The latest move is the arrival from San Francisco of J. W. Burrell, who has been invited by the Portland Kennel Club to take entire supervision of the coming bench show. Mr. Burrell is not only a careful superintendent, but is also a judge of reputation, both in California and the East. Good reports of his judging in English bench shows preceed him to the coast. Mr. Burrell may be found between the hours of 9 and 12 in the morning, and 1 and 4 in the afternoon, at room 451 Sherlock building. Any inquiries by intending exhibitors or any others interested in the care or disposition of the dogs at the show, will be gladly answered.

FIRST ARREST UNDER NEW LAW.—Fong Mon Wong is the name of the first Chinese arrested under the new ordinance for selling lottery tickets. Fong was run in last night by Officer Bulger, who has become a terror to Celestials dealing in the outlawed papers, and he walks into a lottery den regardless of the scowls of the heathen, who dare not molest him, as he collars the dealer behind the little counter. Fong's bail of $100 was promptly put up by his countrymen, and the case will come up in the Municipal Court today, Judge Hennessy now having jurisdiction in what had recently been considered state cases, subject to Grand Jury and Circuit Court.

LEFT FOR PITTSBURG.—George W. Freeman, Assistant United States Engineer, for a dozen years or more connected with the United States Engineers' office in this city, and who went to Honolulu as Captain of Company A of Volunteer Engineers, left yesterday for Pittsburg. He has since his return from Honolulu been Superintendent of Lighthouse Construction under Captain Langfitt, engineer of this lighthouse district, and has been transferred East, to take charge of the locks in the Monongahela River.

LEG FRACTURED.—A young man named Fred Nagle, who was driving a band of cattle along Water street, near Columbia, yesterday morning, was caught under his falling horse and suffered a badly fractured leg. He recently returned from Seattle, where a part of his foot had been amputated, and was just recovering from that. He was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital.

BAPTIST REVIVAL.—Revival meetings at the First Baptist Church have been well attended, and will continue throughout the week. The meetings are held every afternoon at 3 o'clock, and every evening at 7:30. Sermons are delivered by the pastor, Rev. Alexander Blackburn.

FOR THREATENED MURDER.—Charles Le Feuvre was arrested last night, charged with threatening to kill N. Bergeois. He promptly gave bonds for his appearance in the Municipal Court today. Both men are natives of France.

CATHEDRAL CLASS tonight, First Presbyterian Church. Topic, "Napoleon's Paris." Admission, 10 cents. Tickets at the door and at Gill's, Ewing's and Aldrich's pharmacy.

For rates to the Paris Exposition, call at the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway office, 134 Third street. J. W. Casey, passenger agent.

PATTON HOME TEA tomorrow, March 28, from 2 to 6 P. M. The old ladies will be pleased to see their many friends.

"THE THREE MUSKETEERS."

Harry Glazier in Romantic Drama at the Marquam.

Harry Glazier, in "The Three Musketeers" was the offering at the Marquam theater last night. A good audience was generous in its welcome of the famous and always enjoyable play, founded on Dumas' "Guardsman." The piece will be repeated one more night.

The last time "The Musketeers" was seen here, Salvini's personality and his support gave it a high standard and a pretentious representation. Mr. Glazier's D'Artagnan, Athos, as performed by Lawrence Underwood, and Lady de Winter, as represented by Vail de Vernon, were fully adequate to the demands of their respective roles.

"The Musketeers" is staged amply. In according it applause the Marquam's patrons were indulgent to serious embarrassments, under which the company labored for the first night's success. The players were belated by the Southern Pacific train, and the immense stage setting especially required in their eight tableaux of Glazier's production had to be transferred to the theater only a short time before 8 o'clock. But, notwithstanding the hitches, due to great haste, the performance lacked nothing in spirit and dash.

The successive scenes in this production carry the spectator from the courtyard of the Jolly Miller to the throneroom of Louis XIII—familiar scenes of the novel—with only brief intermission. In this way the interest is maintained at the thrilling pitch.

Mr. Glazier makes up whatever is lacking in his vocal volume or stature by a fiery, restless abandon in his execution of the role which wins admiration. The swash-buckling musketeer finds in him almost complete realization. He is never still for a moment, and he manages to introduce comedy in the rapidly evolved situations, which shows he grasps the conception of the admirable character. Lawrence Underwood's Athos is a piece of good work. Thomas B. Findlay, as Porthos, was acceptable.

Vail de Vernon as Lady de Winter endeavored to realize the role of a tragedienne with fair, but unconvincing results. Blanche Stoddard played the persecuted Queen. John P. Barrett wore the red robe of the Cardinal.

The audience was wholly enthusiastic over the excellently managed climax of tableaux 7, where the young musketeer meets with the most thrilling of his adventures upon a chivalrous mission.

The Marquam orchestra caused the wait for the first curtain to pass pleasantly. Its "Knighthood" waltzes were a feature.

"The Musketeers," shorn of its rough spots, will be an enjoyable attraction doubtless, to lovers of the novel and play again tonight.

NO BUBONIC PLAGUE.

San Francisco Had Only One Case Three Weeks Ago.

The Mayor of San Francisco officially denies the presence of the bubonic plague in that city. He sent yesterday the following telegram to Mayor Storey, and presumably to the Mayors of other important cities:

San Francisco, March 26.—Hon. W. A. Storey, Mayor, Portland, Or.: Eastern papers just received refer to a sporadic case of bubonic plague in San Francisco. The Board of Health reported such a case on March 6, 20 days ago. Since then our Chinatown has been thoroughly inspected and disinfected. No other case has appeared. All persons now freely visit the district as usual. On account of the vigilance and efficiency of our health department and Federal quarantine there is no future danger. Please give this to your local press as an act of justice to San Francisco.

JAMES D. PHELAN, Mayor.

Died From Alcoholism.

An inquest over the body of Thomas McDermott, found dead Saturday, was held yesterday at noon. None of the dead man's relatives put in an appearance. He has a son, who went to the Philippine Islands, but whether he returned to Portland or not is unknown. He had a wife somewhere in Portland, whose whereabouts is not known. It came out in the inquest that McDermott had been drinking heavily, and the physician who made a post-mortem said death was caused by excessive alcoholism. As no relatives claimed the body, it was turned over to the county to be buried by the poor farm.

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IN THE SEVERAL COURTS

DEFENSE IN SUIT FOR ALLEGED LOSS FROM SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX.

Bank Employes Testify That Robbery Is a Physical Impossibility —Court Notes.

In the suit of Henry Gallet against the Ainsworth National Bank to recover $2400 said to have been taken from a safe deposit box, the defendant submitted its evidence yesterday, and the case went to the jury.

John C. Ainsworth, the president of the bank, testified concerning his position when there with reference to the deposit vaults, and said it would be difficult for any one to enter the vault without being observed by him. He was not there when Gallet came for his money, on December 19, 1899.

On cross-examination, Mr. Ainsworth admitted that while there were two keys, one held by the depositor and the other by the bank, and that a box could not be entered without the combined use of both, that there is a manufacturer's key from which a duplicate for every or any box can be made. Mr. Ainsworth said, however, that he was the custodian of this key, and kept it secure in his personal vault, and has done so since his connection with the bank in 1895. Prior to that time, L. L. Hawkins had possession.

Paul S. Dick, who usually attends to box renters, testified regarding the visits of Gallet on December 19. He turned the bank key in the door of the box as usual and paid no further attention to Gallet. When the latter returned, he complained of the loss of his money. The witness said Gallet seemed to have been drinking some. His breath was strongly odorous, and as he talked English very brokenly, witness could not exactly understand him. On cross-examination, Dick stated that he is not acquainted with the smell of garlic, and it might have been that, in conjunction with a drink of whisky, which caused the odorous breath.

Thomas Connell, vice-president of the Ainsworth National Bank, described, as did the other witnesses, the system of opening the boxes. There were two keys; neither the depositor nor any bank official could get into a box without the co-operation of both. The defendant's witnesses all testified that there had never been any complaint from any other box renter or customer of the bank. Mr. Connell also told of the actions of Abel Dubois, the French saloon-keeper who accompanied Gallet on December 19. Dubois was inside of the gate leading to the vault. He kept peering through the iron work, and acted very suspiciously, and as if he wanted to get into the bank's business-room. Connell said he was attracted by the man's suspicious actions and asked him what he wanted.

Mr. McGinn, plaintiff's attorney, asked Mr. Connell numerous questions on cross-examination, and developed one or two new points. Gallet testified that at the time he was wrapping up his last three rolls, of $500 each, at the bank, Connell entered the room, but immediately excused himself and retired. Mr. Connell admitted this incident. He said he sometimes used the room himself. He did not pay any particular attention to Gallet.

Mr. McGinn then referred to a meeting between them on the street, at which time Connell referred to the case, and he, McGinn, said they had better not talk about it, because their interests were divergent, when Connell answered they were together on one point; that was, if any one in the bank was doing business on his own account, they wanted to know it. Counsel asked witness if such conversation did not take place. Mr. Connell gave his version of the talk. He stated that Mr. McGinn said that it looked as if some one in the bank was doing business there on his own account, and to this Mr. Connell replied that if such were the case, it was to the bank's interest as much as the plaintiff's to find it out.

Charles H. Chambreau was the next witness. He testified that he had usually handled the safety deposit keys in conjunction with customers prior to the assignment of that duty to Mr. Dick, some two or three years ago, and had frequently done so since, when Dick was out to lunch or on some errand. His desk is so situated that he could look directly into the vault, and no one could enter or even approach it without being seen by him. On cross-examination, he said that his father was a Frenchman, but he could not speak French himself. He had known Gallet by sight for a number of years, as a box-renter.

W. W. Phillips and R. W. Schmeer desired as witnesses by defendant were detained at the bank with their duties. Judge Williams mentioned this fact, and Mr. McGinn stipulated that he would consent to have the record show that, if called, they would testify the same as the other witnesses regarding the manner of conducting the safe deposit vaults, so as to save time.

John W. Newkirk, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, testified Saturday that Gallet called December 19 to buy $4000 exchange on Paris, and was $2400 short; was recalled to testify about exchange previously bought by Gallet. He gave the dates and amounts. The total, in a number of years, was about $4000. The amounts ranged from $30 to $50, and one of $200.

Mr. McGinn recalled Mr. Ainsworth and asked him a number of questions, including one as to whether Mr. Connell did not have the box next to the one rented by Gallet, and an affirmative answer was given.

In rebuttal, George E. Evans was called in behalf of the plaintiff. He testified that he rented a safe deposit vault at the Ainsworth Bank from May to November, 1899.

Mr. McGinn—You may state your experience, Mr. Evans.

Objected to by defendant's attorney as incompetent.

Mr. McGinn—You may state if you ever had your box trifled with.

This question was also objected to.

Mr. McGinn—I think it is proper to show Your Honor that other people had the same experience.

The court allowed the question, and the witness answered: "So far as knowing whether my box was tampered with, I can't say. I went there one day and put in $200 in $20 pieces. The following week I did not go to the bank until Tuesday or Wednesday. My box was high up—number 320. I had to reach up pretty high. I pulled it out and opened the lid and threw the money in, and then closed the lid down and pushed it back and went out. The next week I went to take $40 out and found $180 in $20 pieces piled up on top of one another in one corner. The greenbacks, silver and other money was altogether."

Mr. McGinn—Was it piled when you put it in?

"No; I just threw it in."

"What happened after that?"

"Nothing, only I took the money out."

"How did it correspond as to amount?"

"I don't know; I don't know if I lost anything or not; I don't know how much money I put in."

On cross-examination, George Chamberlain, of defendant's counsel, asked: "Did you ever make a complaint to the officers of the bank?"

"No."

"Why not?"

"I did not think it could do any good."

"Don't you know it is a physical impossibility to open that box without taking it entirely out?"

"No, it is not."

"When did you take the money out?"

"Immediately."

"Who did you first tell about it?"

"Mr. Smith. I also told Mr. Grant, my employer, at the Fredericksburg."

The witness was questioned as to his business, and answered that he is a bartender, not now employed.

Mr. Chamberlain next asked: "You don't want this jury to understand that you lost any money?"

"No, but it looked suspicious."

"You are naturally suspicious, are you not?"

"No, I don't think so."

Judge Sears, when court convened in the morning, denied the motion for a non-suit, holding that plaintiff had made out a prima facie case of negligence, which defendant must derend.

In his argument to the jury for the defense, Judge Williams maintained that Gallet never put the five rolls of $20 in the box which he claims to have lost.

Henry E. McGinn addressed the jury for the plaintiff.

Probate Court.

August Locaeze and Carmel Locaeze, next of kin of Leo Knudde, deceased, have filed a petition objecting to the appointment of Leo Hamerlynck as administrator of the estate. The estate is valued at $900 cash. It is stated that Knudde in his lifetime distrusted Hamerlynck, and he is also objected to because he is a saloon-keeper.

Hattie Yott, guardian of Iola, Leslie and Ray Yott, minors, was authorized to sell 40 acres of land.

The final account of the executor of the estate of B. N. Barnett, deceased, was approved. The property consists of mining stocks, realty and a small amount of cash. The heirs are Matilda Marks and Sophia R. Wolff, residing in England.

The inventory and appraisement of the estate of Henrietta L. Smith, deceased, was filed. The property is valued at $16,057.

Verdict for $925.

The verdict of the jury in the damage suit of F. L. Richmond against the Southern Pacific Company was in favor of the plaintiff for $925. This about covers the expenses attending the illness of Richmond, loss of time, etc. The amount sued for was $10,000. It is stated that nine members of the jury were for a larger sum, but finally compromised with the other three. The jury was out about 25 hours. Richmond was a passenger on a freight train, and was thrown down by a sudden stopping of the train near Cottage Grove. He alleges that he has not yet recovered from the effects of his injuries. The defendant endeavored to show to the contrary, and denied negligence.

Will Decide Today.

Judge George will decide the motion for a new trial this morning in the case of Frank E. McDaniel, convicted of manslaughter for strangling Claire Adelaide Fitch. McDaniel was tried several months ago, and the motion for a new trial was recently argued. If the new trial is denied, defendant's attorney will probably appeal to the Supreme Court.

Court Notes.

W. H. Wild, of Salem, farmer, but at present a miner, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court. His liabilities amount to $769. His assets consist of clothing and a watch, valued at $45.

The evidence in the suit of Charles J. Reed et al., executors of the will of John Green, deceased, against B. G. Whitehouse for an accounting, is all in, and the arguments of counsel are in progress.

PIONEER OF '49.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Ann Talbot, Who Lived Here Half a Century.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Talbot, for more than 50 years a resident of Portland, died at her old home, on Portland Heights, or near the spot now called Council Crest, about 6 o'clock Saturday evening, March 24, at the advanced age of 81 years.

She was born at Alexandria, Va. In early life she was a resident of Philadelphia, and was a daughter of Joseph Plumb, of Troy, N. Y. In 1839 she was married to John Beal Talbot in the State of Illinois, where for many years she lived near Monmouth, in that state. On the 4th of March, 1849, one cold, icy day, she was laid, sick, in the wagon for the trip across the plains. A day later she had crossed the Mississippi on three feet of ice. A few days later still the Missouri River was reached, and a halt had to be made, as the ferries were so crowded that the stream could not be crossed for three weeks. During that time she had recovered her strength, and from then until a short time before her death she was remarkably strong and well, although a woman of light physique and of small weight.

Through the long journey of eight months and 10 days she bore her share of the hardships and toil while caring for four small children. Three times she and her companions were stopped by the Indians. The first band of Sioux was 3000 strong, who took 200 pounds of flour and provisions from every wagon. The second was in the Snake River country, near American Falls, and the third near the Whitman massacre ground, in Umatilla County, where Dr. Whitman and his family had been murdered 29 months before. Here the Umatillas, about 200 in number, surrounded the seven poor wagons and took all the flour from her wagon but 30 pounds, with three weeks' journey still before her. One of these wagons was that of David Logan, who afterwards was a prominent lawyer of Portland. About a year later Joseph Meek, United States Marshal, hung five of these Umatilla rascals. The 16 animals and two wagons and cow had now dwindled to three—an ox, a mare and a cow. The ox and the cow were yoked together, and the mare in the lead. Only three boards remained of the bed of the wagon, all the others having been thrown away to lighten it; while the first and heavier wagon and all its provisions had been left in the alkali country, the alkali having killed the teams one by one until the three only were left.

The night when Mrs. Talbot and her family reached Stephen Foster's house, in the edge of the Willamette Valley, in Clackamas County, there was nothing left to eat. Observing that there was no campfire, Mr. Foster came out to see what was the matter; but without waiting he took one of the destitute to his cabin and gave him a large chunk of fresh beef and a sack of potatoes. The next evening the weary and sore party landed on the Willamette River opposite the town of Portland. At that time, November 14, 1849, there were 12 families and altogether about 30 white persons, and a camp of Multnomah Indians, about 300 in number. Having only 10 cents in his pocket remaining of his $1300 outfit, the remains of the wagon and team, Mr. Talbot began the next day to work for "Uncle Jimmy" Stephens, at the wage of $12 per day, which was the current price then. Mrs. Talbot set up housekeeping in an old, floorless house; kept her children together, but not the wind out of the cracks.

For the next two or three years her life was one of extreme labor and care. Being constantly of a cheerful mind, she was never known to complain. This habit she maintained to her latest days, and to it is attributed much of her length of days, as she was not physically strong. For some years she had maintained a constant loss of property until the whole was gone, yet she bore it cheerfully. Of her seven children, three are dead—Stephen, George and Henry Plumb Talbot. Two daughters—Mrs. Alice T. Bird and Miss Ella Talbot—and two sons—Edwin M. and Charles B. Talbot—survive her. The interment was in Patton cemetery, Washington County.

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