STATE FAIR A SUCCESS

IT WAS WELL PLANNED AND ABLY MANAGED.

Horse Racing Was Good and Pree From Crookedness-Help of the Railroads.

The state fair, which closed Saturday, was very successful, financially and otherwise, and the management feel much encouraged over the result. The receipts have been figured up, and amount to \$15,330 %, while the disbursements aggregrate \$18,122 23. A balance of \$268 75 is therefore in the hands of the association. Besides this, there is a balance due nt, from various sources

amounting to \$879. W. H. Wehrung, of Hillsboro, president, and M. D. Wisdom, of Portland, secre-tary, are therefore entitled to great credit for the able manner in which the details of the exhibition were attended to and

the results attained. The attendance at the fair was very satisfactory on the three days of fair weather, but three days of rain inter-fered with what would have been a much pleasanter and more profitable week at Salem. The races and other incidents of the programme were pulled off promptly on time, in spite of the showers, and the verdict of those who attended is one of unanimous commendation. great many visitors were attracted from beyond the state boundaries, and these people all expressed themselves as agreesurprised at Oregon's great agricul-

tural and livestock resources.
All the races were conducted strictly on the square, and the element given to jock-eying and dishonest practices was entirely eying and dishonest practices was entirely excluded from the grounds. This is an mnortant feather in the cap of the management, as the horse racing features of several previous state fairs had caused the whole exhibit to lapse into disfavor with the general public.

President Wehrung, who was in Port-

land vesterday, gave the various railroad companies doing business in the state great praise for the liberality they manifested toward the fair. "They not only reduced the price of "ound-trip tickets to one fare." he said, "but they carried exhibits free, and thus enabled producers throughout the state to bring their very best specimens to Salem."

The fair has also proven a success in

the matter of enabling stockmen from all points of the Northwest to meet, comnotes and make purchases, with 2 view to improving breeds of their an imals, and many satisfactory sales re-sulted. In fact, all exhibitors who brought

stock to sell disposed of it at fair prices. The impression made on the people of the state by this Fail's fair will go far toward creating an interest in future state exhibits. Next year the buildings, grounds and track will have to be im roved and renovated, but no trouble is atticipated in obtaining funds for this se. The present state appropriation of \$500 per annum is for the sole purpose of premiums to be awarded the success-ful exhibitors, and this sum is thus disbursed among the farmers and stockmen as soon as the awards have been made. The fair management therefore cannot be said to be a beneficiary of the state. through the handling of the appropria tion, although the premiums add largely to the interest taken in the exhibition and the rivalry between producers of the

The people of Salerh have also a good word for the recent exhibition. It L.ought large numbers of people to town and an increase in the retail trade of the various stores resulted. The citizens of Salem seemed to take more interest in the success of the exhibition this year than formerly, and accorded the fair management all the assistance in their power. This phase of the proceedings was quite an important factor in mak-ing the fair a success.

A notable feature at the grounds was increase of campers. Farmers and and pitched their tents in regular coast picnic style, and they all appeared to be having a jolly good time. In early days farmers and their families used to camp near the grounds all through the fair period, but this element had fallen off in recent years when horse racing became the main feature of the fair. The return of the camping families marks an era of improvement in the management of the fair which it is hoped will continue

THE DAY IN THE COURTS. Violent Language.

"He lies! He lies!" said Charles Kalus, while giving his testimony as de fendant in a suit brought against him by M. W. Patton to recover \$378 on a note. Judge George rebuked Kalus for his conduct, and the trial thereafter proceeded in an orderuy manner. The note sued upon was executed in 1895 by John Doll to Timothy Thompson, with Kalus as surety. It was assigned by Thomp-

son to Patton. The latter testified that the first time he heard of the note was when he had a conversation with Kalus about buying some timber and securing a right of way, and Kalus suggested his taking up the note and turning it over Kalus testified that he had been told

that Doll's administrator paid the note. He denied the conversation detailed by The jury returned a verdict to favor of the plaintiff.

Divorce Suits.

Gertrude Hollister was granted a diworce from Frank Hollister by Judge Cle-land yesterday on the ground of desertion, which occurred June 21, 1899, and she permitted to resume her maider

name, Howard.

James R. Conroy was divorced from James R. Conroy was divorced from Lizzle Conroy because of desertion in 1888. They were married in San Fran-cisco, Cal., in 1877. The plaintiff testified that his wife left him, taking all of her personal belongings, and he has not seen her since, but heard five years ago that she was then in Chlesco.

that she was then in Chicago.

The Sheriff yesterday served papers in the divorce suit of Louis Capp against Lucy Capp, filed at Spokane, Wash.; also in the muit of Charles B. Hart vs. Lorinda J. Hart, commenced at Calispel, Mont. Desertion is alleged in both cases.

Probate Matters.

P. H. Tynan was pesterday appointed administrator of the estate of his brother, John Tynan, who was accidentally killed on the Northern Pacific Railway. state consists of a claim against the railvay company for damages E. L. Degal was appointed administra-tor of the estate of S. A. Degal, de-ceased, comprising \$1999 cash and ac-

counts amounting to \$200. Several children are the helrs.

The inventory of the estate of Eliza J. Starr, deceased, of the property in Mult-nomah County, was filed, showing that it comprised \$5200 in the bank of Ladd A

Adolph F. Peterson and Werner Pat-terson were admitted to citizenship by Judge George yesterday.

Azel Weich, the ex-policeman convicted of assault and battery on Ed Kirkendall, was fined \$50 by Judge George yesterday. In the United States Court yesterday a semurrer to the bill of complaint in the case of F. Lohman vs. B. Helman was argued and continued

Lawrence M. Sullivan, indicted for at tempting to persuade a seaman to de-sert from the ship Oresila, was arraigned in the Criminal Court yesterday and granted until Monday to plead.

Wells, Fargo & Co. has commenced an Fargo & Co. has commenced an gument with Mr. Jeffries he was not him-the State Circuit Court against self. Mr. Sharkey should be more ex-A. H. Borthwick to recover \$25,006 on plicit. notes and to apply 100 shares of Portland fight?

General Electric Company stock and other collateral securities to the litigation on the indebtedness. George S. Batty is al-leged to be liable as the joint signer with Borthwick of some of the notes to the ex-tent of about \$20,000.

In the suit of Luretta P. Beers against Robert A. Hamlin, C. A. Aylsworth, gar nishee, the jury returned a verdict, in Judge Frazer's court yesterday, in favor of the defendant. This proceeding was brought by Mrs. Beers in an effort to col-lect a judgment obtained against Hamlin in an assault and battery damage suit, but the jury was not convinced that there is anything due to Hamlin from Ayls-

BIDS FOR FODDER.

Portland Contractors Figure for Government Supplies.

The Albers & Schneider Company was the lowest bidder on the contract for de-livering 2000 tons of oats at Alaska dock for shipment by the Government. There were four bidders competing-Albers & Schneider Co., G. A. Westgate, of Albany Pacific Coast Milling Company and Not-tingham & Co. The successful firm's bld

Albers & Schneider Company— 00 tons oats, delivery 5 days, Alaska

Ton. 1000 tons commercial bales, delivered tons per day tons onts delivered to Valley ints, S. P. R. R., delivery within 14 90

For rebailing hay to % cubic feet, per ton, rate 50 tons per day..... The other bids were:

G. A. Westgate, Albany, Or.—
500 tons oats, delivered S. P. R. R.
Valley points, 15 days, at.
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500 tons oats, delivered S. P. R. R.
Valley points, 24 days, at.
500 tons oats, Portland delivery, 30 days, Alaska dock. 23 90 25 50

.26 25 Pacific Coast Milling Company-100 tons oats delivered Alaska dock,

One-half to be delivered before October 20, the balance in 20 days thereafter. Ton. 200 tons hay, commercial bales, three-quarters timothy, per ton......\$14 50 100 tons Eastern Oregon hay, com-

same as oats. compressing hay, 75 cubic feet

is double compressed bay, % feet, per ton delivered Octo-

EAST SIDE AFFAIRS. '

Gathering of Dunkards at Damascu -Other Matters.

The Dunkards of the neighborhood of Damascus are having their annual gathering in that place. Members of that sect have come from as far as Idaho, Eastern Oregon and Washington to take part in this meeting and participate in the services, which have a special significance with these peculiar people. Saturday was a great day with them. They had the feet washing, communion and the Lord's supper. The feet washing is a ceremony of itself and peculiar to the Dunkards. Each one washes his neighbor's feet, as a matter of humiliation and good feeling. Then followed communion and the Lord's supper. The supper was more substantial than that given at communion at most churches. There were quite a number present from the outside. In some re-spects, the Dunkards are similar to the Quakers. They are extremely plain in their dress and manner. This meeting at Damascus will continue through the entire week.

Robbery at Mount Tabor.

The dwelling of H. H. Delano, at Mount Tabor, was robbed the other night dur-ing the absence of the family at Athena. A quantity of silverware and other valuables were taken. The robbery was discovered on the return of the family. No trace of the burgiars has been found. Several suburban cottages have been en

Pleasant Home Notes. While George Leslie was passing be-hind his horses, one of them kicked him, striking him below the knee, and it is thought one of the bones of the leg is fractured. It is a severe injury, and Mr.

Leslie will be laid up some time. The citizens of Pleasant Home got a double twist on the man who had a sa-loon in a tent there, and soon had him on the run. They secured a power of attorney from the owner of the land on which the tent was located. This was served on him, and he at once vacated. He moved to Powell's Valley, about tw miles from his former location, and started up again.

East Side Notes.

R. M. Johnson, who has been sojourn-ing at the Mount Tabor Sanitarium, has returned to his home at Palouse, Wash. much improved in health.

C. A. Francis, director of district No. 5,

Mount Tabor, and William Owen have gone to Eastern Oregon to a hot springs, where they hope to regain their health. James E. Bruce, who was severely in-jured on Grand avenue Wednesday, was resting comfortably yesterday. He had a bad fall, and, being an aged man, the shock was severe. He will be about in a

Dr. Wise, room 614, The Dekum,

THROUGH TOURIST EXCURSION

Cars to the East

Are operated from Portland over the Ore-gon Short Line Railroad in connection with the Union Pacific and the Denver & Rio Grande lines, giving choice of routes, These tourist sleeping cars run through to Chicago and the East without change, and are personally conducted excursion which means that a special conductor is in charge to look after the convenience of passengers. For berth reservations and further information, apply to city ticket office, or address W. E. Coman, general agent Oregon Short Line Railroad, 142 Third street, Portland.

The School Book Job. Olympian.

What appears to be some very rotten work by the State Board of Education in connection with the adoption of textbooks for the public schools is coming to light The facts as given by the press of the state, which has investigated the matter. are published in the local columns of this morning's paper. If the facts thus far developed are substantiated, fraud is unmistakably stamped upon the action of the board in the adoption of the textbooks. If this adoption was the result of a corrupt job, then the resulting contracts are tainted with fraud and are null and void and should be so declared, and cer-tainly will be before the matter proceeds

much further, Before or After?

plicit. Does he mean before or after the

Spokane Chronicle. Mr. Sharkey rises from the sawdust to remark that the last time he had an ar-

FIRST 1900 BARLEY CARGO

DRITISH SHIP CENTURION CLEARS FOR GRIMSBY DIRECT.

Penthesilea Also Completes a Full Cargo of Barley-Freight Situntion Unchanged.

The first cargo of barley of the 1900 crop was dispatched yesterday by Kerr, Gifford & Co. on the British ship Centurion. The vessel carries 106,575 bushels of barley, valued at \$49,000. She also has aboard 17,415 bushels of wheat, valued at \$10,000. The Centurion has other distinctions beside being the first barley ship of the season, for she is the first vessel of the 1909-'01 fleet to clear for a direct port, every vessel which has preceded her clearing for Queenstown or Falmouth for orders, while the Centurion goes di-

rect to Grimsby.

The British ship Penthesilea also completed her cargo of barley yesterday, but will not clear until next week for a few days. The fleet in port is being cleaned up quite rapidly as the month draws to a close, and some of the ships have been given very quick dispatch. The Sematha left down the river yesterday morning, after a stay in port of but 13 days. She carries over 4000 tons of wheat and was drawing over 22 feet of water. The Jupiter crossed out from Astoria yesterday after being in the river less than a month The W. J. Pirrie will reach port this morning and will commence loading at

NO CHANGE IN FREIGHTS. Owners Still Demanding Rates in

Excess of Exporters' Offers.

The freight situation shows but little change. No new charters came to light yesterday, but a few ships were offering for distant loading, and one comparatively near-by ship was offering at the modest rate of 55 shillings, but was declined with thanks. Rates are now reaching a point where there is some possibility of wheat being diverted to Europe by the overland route, and shipowners might do well to take this outlet into consideration before squeezing too much out of the traffic Freights continue very firm in other parts of the world, and are nearly up to record figures in Australia, Weddel, Turner & Co.'s Australasian

Freight Report, dated London, September 4, says: South Australia-A handy spot ship has been fixed, Adelaide-London, at about 50 shillings.

Victoria-Prompt tonnage is fixable at 39 shillings 9 pence wheat basis option; 55 shillings 6 pence on regulars. Later loading quoted at 32 shillings 6 pence wheat; 50 shillings on regulars. New South Wales (Sydney)-A prompt

ship has been fixed for London at 52 shillings, 6 pence; 50 shillings is offered for November-December loading to United Kingdom or Continent. Newcastle-San Francisco done at . 20 shillings, loading as customary; 19 shillings 6 pence with days. West Coast, firmer, at 23 shillings 6 pence.

Queensland—Fifty-two shillings 6 pence might be obtained for this year's loading. Offers are still invited for coals to West New Zealand-Homeward market quiet

A prompt ship is still wanted to load

GENERAL DE CHARETTE LOST. French Bark Founders Off the Const

gunnies from Calcutta.

South Emerica. CORONEL, Chile, Sept, 26.-The French bark General de Charette, Captain Le-marie, which sailed from Swansea on June 24 for San Francisco, struck on a southern extremity of Lemace, at the southern extremity of South America, between Terra del Fuego and Staten Isi-and, on September 3, and foundered. Her crew, with the exception of two members, landed safely at Sand Point,

(The French bark General de Charette was a comparatively new vessel, built at Nantes, in 1898. She made her maiden trip from that port in ballast to Portland. arriving here in November, 1898, and sailing for Europe with a cargo of grain She came out to San Francisco a year later, and on the trip above mentioned was on her third voyage around the Horn in ballast. She was a vessel of 1700 tons net register, and, like all of the French county-earners, was a big carrier for her tonnage.)

THE PENTURA LAUNCHED. Third of Spreckles' New Steamers in

the Water. PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 26.—The Ventura, the third and last of the big freight and passenger steamships that are built here for the Oceanic Steamship Company, was launched today at Cramps shipyard. Miss Elsie Cronsmiller. of John S. Spreckles, president of the company, gave the vessel its name. The Sierra and Conoma, the Ventura's sister ships, will go on their trial trips in a few The Ventura is 400 feet long, 50 feet wide and 23 feet deep. She is 6000 tons gross register, twin screw and has 7500 horse-power. All three of the vessels will ply be ween San Francisco and Australian

Domestic and Foreign Ports. ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 26.—Arrived down at 11:30 A. M. and sailed at 1 P. M.—

United States transport Lennox, for Ma-nila. Sailed at 12 noon-Danish ship Jupiter, for Queenstown or Falmouth, for orders. Left up at 6:30 A. M.—British bark W. J. Perrie. Condition of the bar at 5 P. M., smooth; wind northwest; weather clear. San Francisco, Sept. 26.—Safled—Schoor

er Lillebonne, for Gray's Harbor; schoon-er Gulde, for Gray's Harbor; bark Kate Davenport, for Port Blakeley; schooner North Bend, for Willapa Harbor. Arrived-Steamer John S. Kimball, from Cape Nome; steamer Wellington, from Gray's Harbor; schooner Lauis, from

Willips Harbor.
Dutch Harbor-Arrived Sept. 6.-Steam er Signal, from Gray's Harbor, and sailed September 7 for Cape Nome.

Tacoma—Arrived Sept. 25.—Schooner F.

J. Wood, from Port Townsend. St. Michael - In port Sept. 12.-Ship Charmer, for Tacoma; tug Sadle, steamer Oakland, for Everett. Antwerp-Arrived Sept. 24.-German ship Najade, from Oregon.

Acapulso-Sailed Sept. 21.-British bark Morven, for Oregon. Cape Nome-Arrived Sept. 10.—Steamer Senator, from Seattle; 11, steamer Centennial, from Seattle; 13, steamer Santa Ana, from Seattle; steamer Ohio, from Salled September 10-Steamer Seattle. Charles Nelson, for Scattle.

Morville, Sept. 25.—Arrived — Anchoria.

from New York, for Glasgow.
Liverpool, Sept. 26.—Arrived—Ultonia, from Boston; Lake Champlain, from Mon-Queenstown, Sept. 26.-Sailed-Ivernia for Boston.

Southampton, Sept. 26.-Sailed-Lahn, from Bremen, for New York. New York, Sept. 26.—Arrived—Sardinian, from Glasgow. Sailed—St. Paul, for Southampton; Noordland, for Antwerp; Majestic, for Liverpool. Scilly, Sept. 26.—Passed—New York, from

New York, for Southampton. Holy Head, Sept. 26.—Passed—Steamer Georgian, from New York, for Liverpool. Yokohama, Sept. 26.-Arrived-Empress of China, from Vancouver, B. C., for Hong Kong, via Nagasaki and Shanghai Boulogne, Sept. 25.—Arrived—Amsterdam, from New York, for Rotterdam, and

Boston Sept. 26.-aSiled-Bohemian for Gibraltar, Sept. 26.-Arrived-Werra, from New York, for Naples and Genoe Sept. 28.—Arrived—Kalserin

Bremen, Sept. 28.—Arrived-Kaiserine
Maria Theresa, from New York, via
Cherbourg and Southampton.
London, Sept. 26.—Arrived-Marquette,
from New York, Sept. 26.—Arrived-Frederich
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New York, Sept. 28.—Arrived—Frederich der Grosse, from Bramen; Oceanic, from Liverpool; Fuerhessia, from Glasgow. Liverpool, Sept. 28.—Arrived—Nomah from New York; Sagamore, from Boston. Browhead, Sept. 28.—Passed—Germanic, from New York for Queenstown and Liv-Lizard, Sept. 26.-Passed-Fuerst Bis

TAX ON BUSINESS.

(Continued from First Page.)

Miscellaneous Enterprises. Any person, firm, corporation or joint stock company engaged in the following businesses. callings, trades or employ ments, shall pay quarterly licenses as fol

Furnishing electricity for lighting or fo Furnishing gas for lighting or for fuel,

Sawmills, 1/2 cent per 1000 feet of logs cut during preceding quarter. Purchasing goods, wares or merchan-dise, shipping or delivering such goods, \$5. Renting or leasing boxes and compart ments in safety deposit vaults, \$10. Storing goods and merchandise for hire,

Abstracting titles to real estate, whether joined with any other business or not, Insuring or guaranteeing titles to rea

estate, whether joined with any other business or not, \$10. Assaying ores and metal, \$5 Mercantile agencies-First class, those furnishing information as to mercantile standing of any person to subscribers or members for \$10 or more per annum, \$25; second class, those furnishing such information for less than \$10 per annum,

Barber shops, 50 cents for every parber chair. Loaning money upon personal property,

or negotiating such loans, \$5. This does not apply to pawnbrokers. Brokers, or those acting as brokers, selling stocks, grain, cotton of industrial stocks for part cash or en margins upon or through any connection with any board of trade or stock exchange or purporting to do so, \$25. Brokers or agents in city, town or state warrants, mining stock, livestock, or ne-gotiating loans of money upon real prop-

erty, \$5.

Brokers or manufacturers agents known as merchandise brokers, \$10. Ticket brokers, engaged either temporarily or permanently in buying or selling railroad or steamboat tickets outside of the regular offices, \$10, Insurance company agents, principals

or representatives, \$10.

Adjusters of claims for losses incurred under the provisions of any policy of insurance, \$3. Telegraph companies or agencies, \$75. Telephone companies or agencies, \$30 Steam railroad companies, \$75.

For moving a house, store or building upon or through the streets, \$10 for each Those regularly engaged in house moving may take out quarterly licens District messenger agencies, \$15.

Boarding stables for horses, in addi-ion to the vehicle license—First class. aggregate receipts for preceding year \$20,000 or 2/cr, \$5; second class, between \$10,000 and \$25,000, \$2.55; third class, between \$3000 and \$10,000, \$1.25; fourth class, between \$2000 and \$3000, \$1; fifth class, less than \$2000, \$0 cents.

Express companies and agencies, \$25. Detective agencies, \$10. Restaurant keepers as follows: First class, aggregate receipts, exclusive of sals of liquors, \$120,000 or over, \$15; second class, between \$90,000 and \$120,000, \$10; third class, between \$50,000 and \$90,000, \$10;

fourth class, between \$40,000 and \$80,000 \$7.50; fifth class, between \$20,000 and \$40,000, \$5; sixth class, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, \$2.50; seventh class, between \$3000 and \$10,000, \$1.25; eighth class, between \$2000 and \$3000, \$1; ninth class, less than \$2000, 50 cents. Lawyers-First class, receipts for pre

ceding year \$40,000 or over, \$15; second class, between \$20,000 and \$40,000, \$10 third class, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, \$5 fourth class, between \$3000 and \$10,000, \$2.50; fifth class, between \$2000 and \$3000, \$2; sixth class, under \$2000, \$1. Physicians, surgeons, dentists, veteri-

nary surgeons—First class, aggregate re-ceipts preceding year \$40,000, \$15; second class, between \$20,000 and \$40,000; \$10; third class, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, \$5; fourth class, between \$3000 and \$10,000, \$2 50; fifth class, between \$2000 and \$3000, \$2; sixth Newspaper or magazine publishers-

First class, agg: gate receipts preceding year \$750,000, \$60; second class, between \$500,000 and \$750,000, \$50; third class, between \$300,000 and \$500,000, \$40; fourth class, between \$200,000 and \$300,000, \$25. fifth class, between \$120,000 and \$200,000 135; sixth class, between \$90,000 and \$120,000, \$12; seventh class, between \$60,000 and \$29,000, \$10; eighth class, between \$40,000 and \$50,000, \$750; ninth class, between \$20,000 and \$40,000, \$5: tenth class, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, \$2 50; eleventh class, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, \$2 50; eleventh class, between \$10,000 and \$20,000, \$2 50; eleventh class, between \$10,000 and \$20,000 and \$20, tween \$3000 and \$10,000, \$1 25; twelfth class between \$2000 and \$3000, \$1; thirtoentle

Banks, trust companies, savings banks -First class, average loan business for preceding quarter exceeding \$750,000, \$60 second class, between \$500,000 and \$750,000 \$50; third class, between \$300,000 and \$500,000, \$40; fourth class, between \$200,000 and \$200,000, \$25; fifth class, between \$120,000 and \$200,000, \$15: sixth class, between \$90,000 and \$120,000, \$12: seventh class, between \$60,000 and \$90,000, \$10; eighth class nder \$60,000, \$7 50

Those engaged in more than one calling under the ordinance are required to pay for the one bearing the highest license tax.

Other Sections. Section 10 makes the pursuit of business without a license as provided unlawful. Section 11 prescribes that upon conviction in the Municipal Court violations shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$5 nor more than \$300, or by imprisonment not to exceed 90 days, or both

Naturalized by Annexation. world. BAL/TIMORE, Sept. 26.—"Naturalized by annexation" are the words entered opposite the names of Dr. Francisco del Valle, his son and four other Porto Ric on Baltimore's city registration s. The men presented themselves for registration in several voting precincts. The registration officials had apboard of election supervisors to allow the Porto Ricans to register, providing they compiled with the residence clause of the law, which requires a citizen to reside district six months before being eligible to vote. Isaac L. Strauss, counsel for the board

this city who under the ruling of the in November. General Woodford Married.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—General Stewart L. Woodford, ex-Minister to Spain, was narried to Miss Isabel Hanson today The wedding ceremony took place in the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church on Lower Fifth avenue, this city. The bride was the private secretary of Gen-eral Woodford at Madrid before the outbreak of the Spanish-American War. She is about 30 years of age, and General Woodford is 65. This is his second marriage, the first wife having died about

two years ago.

a few days ago gave an opinion that citizens of Porto Rico became citizens of

the United States when the Island was

made a part of United States territory. There are probably 25 Porto Ricans in

SECURED SALEM THEATER

JOHN F. CORDRAY CLOSES A TWO YEARS' CONTRACT.

New Playhouse Will Be Known a "The Grand," and Will Be Managed by Mr. Cordray.

A telegram was received last evening from John F. Cordray, in Salem, an-nouncing that he has secured a five years' lease on the fine new Opera-House which Chemketa Lodge, Odd Fellows, are build-ing there, and which will be completed in a few weeks. It is Mr. Cordray's intention to manage the Salem playhouse in connection with his theater here, and he

will spend his time between the two.

The Opera-House is thoroughly moder in every respect, and will be stocked with entirely new scenery and equipments Salem has long felt the need of a firstclass amusement-house, and now that an enterprising manager has arranged to take charge of her new one, the public of the capital city will not lack for enter-Mr. Cordray has had the matter of

leasing the Salem Opera-House in view for some time, as he foresaw that he could play attractions en route to and from California in both houses to good advantage. He went to Salem yesterday to close the contract with the owners o

He will personally superintend the fitting and furnishing of the house, and says he will make it one of the coziest and most attractive on the Pacific Coast.

Salem People Pleased. SALEM, Sept. 26.—The announcement of the lease of the Salem theater to John F. Cordray was received with great satis-faction by residents of this city, for it means that for the next five years, the term of the lease, Salem will have the best theater in Oregon, outside of Portland, with all the leading attractions of the star circuit, which includes half a hundred theaters. The Opera-House will be completed and ready for occupancy in about six weeks. It will be known as the Grand Opera-House, and from the standpoint of both structure and management promises to be worthy of the name Mr. Cordray said this evening that he will begin immediately to prepare for the opening night, which he promises to make the greatest event of its kind ever seen n Oregon.

INSIDE VIEWS OF CHINA.

Worse Than Has Been Represented-Persistence of the Germans.

PORTLAND, Sept. 25 .- (To the Editor.) Commercial correspondence is not gen erally interesting to the reading public, but political events in China are so assoclated with business transactions that a few extracts from letters received today may not be entirely without interest to your readers. A gentleman representing business interests here writes from Port Arthur under date of August 19:

"I reached this place in a Russian transport carrying cattle, finding the port crowded with war vessels and supply ships, most of the coolies having run away; 30,000 troops debarking, and millions of dollars' worth of merchandise piled up without care or protection on open wharves; the town a sea of mud and filth, hot, repulsive and loathsome beyond all words to describe. I have never seen its equal for vileness and discomfort in all the world.'

From New Chwang, August 24: "I got a boat August 22, and on reach ing here found the steamer just finish ing, after a difficult and dangerous ex perience. The town is in a terrible state the dead everywhere, several rotting corpses right under my window; slaugh-tered women and children by the score, and the river full of floating bodies. The Russians are unspeakable brutes, worse than South African savages. The town is in a state of terror anticinat is understood to be mobilizing. The Russian engineer in charge here, and his subordinates, took refuge on our steamer in the night, and ordered the ship down the

Evidence is accumulating from all ports to show that the situation at each one has been far worse than public dispatches have led us to believe, and apparently the

end is not yet. As an instance of the manner in which the Germans are endeavoring to Germanize their possessions in China, the experi-ence of the master of a steamer that recently discharged at Tsing Tau, the principal port of the Shan Tung Peninsula, lying at the entrance to Kiao Chou Bay, is a case in point. Having a controversy with his consignees, a disputed sum of money was lodged with the Deutsche-Asiatische Bank at Tsing Tau, payable on the order of the court, before which the captain appeared to make his deposition. The Judge, who was, of course, a German, understood English perfectly, but the master was informed by a court intrepreter that his statement could be only in German, so that what he said in English was taken down by the stenographer in the presence of the Judge, and then translated into German before his honor would listen to it. The English

lawyer in Shanghai who has charge of

"I have this morning received the letter which I wrote to the court at Tsing Tau, referring to the deposit in the case of your steamer, with an indorsement in German to the effect that if I write the letter in German it will be answered." This letter is referred to by the lawyer as "a specimen of boorishness," but it is a part of the interesting experiment now making to establish Germany, Germans and the German language permanently in that part of the world. In view of the rapid extension throughout the globe the English language, as language of commerce particularly, it will be interesting to observe how far this little German experiment is likely to succeed. To some it may seem like the act of Mrs. Partington in trying to sweep out the Atlantic Ocean with a broom, nothing more than a trivial ncident in the rapidly growing use of the English language, which, in the opinion of no less an authority than Mr. John Fiske, is bound to become within 200 years the universal medium of speech for all the

Dying Cashler's Confession.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.-The Evening World today prints a statement credited to the widow of David Allison, the cashier of the Traders' Insurance Company who died Saturday. Mrs. Allison is quoted as saying that her husband whispered to her, as he was dying, the name of the man who knew the condition of the Traders' Insurance Company and was respon sible for the framing of false reports of the company's financial standing. and disclose the name of the man her husband accused. The state superintendcompany's affairs, and the District Attorney has decided to have the matter sub-mitted to the October grand jury, which

Violated Bankruptcy Law. CHICAGO, Sept. 28.-Mrs. Claire Evan-

will be sworn in Monday.

geline O'Neill, charged with a violation of the bankruptcy law, came into the United States Court today on a writ of habeas corpus and was given her free-dom under a \$10,000 bond until the ex-amination. Mrs. O'Neill has been in the custody of the United States Marshal.

A Havana Murder. SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Sept. 26 .- Late

last night Colonel Pavon, of the Cuban Army, was killed in the Cafe Commercio by Octavio Mena, formerly a clerk in the 20 pounds I los office of the Captain of the port. Mena in every way.

and one of his companions were intoxi-cated and had been breaking furniture. The Colonel intervened and a quarrel ensued. Mena snatched the revolver of one of his party and shot Payon in the party and shot Pavon in the back neck. The officer turned to face of the neck. his assailants and received two bullets in the head, being instantly killed.

CHILE'S FOREIGH RELATIONS No Probability of War With Her Neighbors.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—The secre-tary of the Chilean Legation said today that the reports of war between Chile and her neighbors were groundless. The cause of the possible conflict is alleged to be the unwillingness of Chile to conform to certain treaty relations, it being con-tended that Chile will not abide by the award of the British Government in the boundary question with the Argentine Republic, and that it refuses to submit the question of the definite sovereignty over the Provinces of Taona and Arica to the decision of a popular plebiscite to be held in those provinces according to a treaty between Chile and Peru. In response to these statements, it is now set forth by the Chilean authorities that Chile is not trying to restrict the limits of the British award, and that she certainly will abide by it. Chile does not refuse to submit the question of sovereignty to a popular plebiscite. And, in general, it is stated that "the diplomatic relations between Chile and Argentina, Peru and Bolivia are at present peace-

reru and friendly."

As convincing proof of this, the recent report of the Chilean Minister of Foreign Affairs is referred to. This contains the statement that "our boundary question with the Argentine Republic is now settled in a friendly manner, and the relations between both countries been cordial and sincere." The have been cordial and sincere." The boundary arbitration is still in progress, and its determination will dispose of the only question pending between Chile and Argentina. The Minister of Foreign Af-fairs also cites an agreement with Bolivia calculated to prevent all disagreeable questions and boundary incidents which from time to time have arisen. In the discussion with Peru, both have shown a desire to reach an early settlement, and the steps taken toward a satisfactory adjustment are set forth.

Extradition Treaty With Peru. LIMA, Peru, Sept. 26.-It is stated upon reliable authority that the committee to which was referred the proposed extra-dition treaty between the United States and Peru has reported upon it. Trifling alterations in the treaty are and these will be discussed this week.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.-The extradition treaty was negotiated last year be-tween the Peruvian Foreign Office and United States Minister Dudley, at Lima. The draft coming to Washington was The draft coming to Washington was approved by the State Department and submitted to the United States Senate for ratification. The Senate ratified the treaty, and it was returned to Peru to secure the approval of the Peruvian Leg-islative branch. This is now wanting. and press advices from Lima indicate that the convention is to receive amend-ments, which will require its return to the United States Senate for action.

Re-election of Dinz. CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—A dispatch to the Record from the City of Mexico says: Mexico's Congress last night declared the result of the Presidential election. elected and will be inaugurated next December. The President has entirely re-covered from his recent indisposition. The American colony has subscribed 10,000 pesos for the relief of Galveston.

DEPARTMENT STORE TAX. New Law to Go Into Effect in Germany in January.

The question of levying a special and

rogressive tax on department stores has

en extensively discussed in many cities the United States, but so far it has not been found practicable to enact a law levying such a tax in any of them. The Prussian Parliament, however, after long agitation, has, despite opposition and hesitation on the part of the government, passed such a law, which is to go into effect January 1, 1901. The provisions of this law, furnished by Consul-General Frank H. Mason, Berlin are printed in a consular report for September, accompanied by a statement from the Finance Minister, Miguel, explaining the purpo of the law and the results to be of tained by its impartial enforcement. This Minister, who is styled "the ablest and most adroit master of taxation in Germany," tells the mercantile and indus-trial classes that it depends upon themselves whether this law shall fulfill the benevolent purposes of the lawmakers or not. "They will have to provide especially through the organization of pur chasing and seiling societies for cheap purchases and profitable sales, and they will have to stand firmly on the principle of cash purchases and sales, and neither accept goods nor sell them on credit. The state has done its part, and it now rests with the mercantile and industrial middle classes, through intelligent, ener-getio self-help, to secure themselves against the competition of large capital."

The law divides the merchandise to be sold into four groups, and provides that stores which sell articles belonging to more than one of these groups shall

a special tax, graduated according to the total amount of its annual sales, running from about \$1000 up to \$5000. So conservative a journal as the Vossische Zeitung declares that the new stat-ute is "economically and politically the worst law that has been enacted since the memory of man," and adds that "when it shall have completely failed of its purpose, the fault will not be that of the smaller merchants and their customers, but of the government which has enacted the law, and hastens to wash its hands of the results." "Moreover," re-marks the Consul, "a large number of the

"DAINTY FOOD" Turns Pale Cheeks to Pink.

smaller merchants fail to see how the

Our best physicians of the present day seek to cure patients by the use of food, rather than heavy drugs, and this is the true method, for all physicians agree that only from food can the body be rebuilt Many people fail to give their physicians credit, for after living on poorly selected or badly cooked food for a long time, perhaps, and when their ailments ome chronic, they expect the with some magic potency, to instantly rebulld them.

This is not possible. The only true method is to turn as quickly as can be from poor food to good. A young lady, Miss Alice Hendricks, employed at the corner of Fourth and Race streets, Cincinnati, O., says: "I was variously treated for my nerves, muscles, lungs, etc.. but none of the treatment gave me relief

"About a year ago my appetite falled

completely and I began to have sinking spells similar to fainting, then I took all manner of tonics and stimulants, but they were of no effect. I had been brought to quit drinking coffee and taking Postum Food Coffee in its place, and gradually began to get a little "Some one suggested that if I found Postum Food Coffee so beneficial I had etter use Grape-Nuts food, as they were both the children of one brain, I commenced on Grape-Nuts food for break-fast, having Postum Food Coffee with lt. I found the food so dainty, delicious, and appetizing that I always looked forward

to breakfast with pleasure.

new law, which simply taxes the large concerns 1 to 2 per cent additional on their sales and turns the proceeds of such taxation over to the communal and city treasuries, is to help the middle-class merchants and their customers to units and pay cash for their goods, which they have heretofore bought and sold on ored-it. The big stores, say these critics, will either add the amount of their tax to the prices of their goods or strive by increased sales to make up the amount. The line between the taxed and untaxed stores will be drawn more sharply than before, and the old struggle will remain between organized capital, which can always buy cheaply for cash in large quan-tities, and the merchants of moderate means who must buy to a greater or less degree upon credit and must sell before degree upon credit and must sell before they can pay. The weak point which causes most apprehension is that this en-actment opens the way for special taxa-tion of all kinds of large industries and landed possessions. At a time when every interest and class is clamoring for protection, it encourages the demand for special legislation affecting specialized branches of industry and trade."

Negro Lynched by Negroes SOUTH PITTSBURG, Tenn., Sept. 38 --Two negroes passed through here yesterday with a negro bound whom they said they were going to hang for an assault committed on a woman. Officers soon pursued and found portions of the negro's clothing in the woods, two miles from town, on the bank of a creek. It is sup-posed the negro was lynched and then

thrown into the creek. DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT. PORTLAND, Sept. 26.-8 P. M.-Maximum emperature, 69; minimum temperature, 46; iver reading at 11 A. M., 2.7 feet; change in the past 24 hours, -0.5 foot; total precipita-tion, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., 0.00; total precipita-tion since Sept. 1, 1900, 1.93 inches; normal precipitation since Sept. 1, 1900, 1.40 inches excess, 0.53 inch; total sunshine Sept. 25, 11:24; possible sunshine Sept. 25, 12:00.

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WEATHER CONDITIONS.

area of high-pressure central yesterday vening over Montana has moved eastward. and is now central over the Dakotas. The pressure is lowest over California. Fair weather has prevailed in the North Pacific States during the last 24 hours. The temper ature changes have been slight and unim-portant, except over Montans, where a rise of from 4 to 14 deg. has taken place. The indications are for continued fair weather in this district Thursday, with higher ter in Eastern Oregon and Southern Ida

Forecasts made at Portland for the 28 hours nding at midnight Thursday, Sept. 27: Oregon-Continued fair weather; we east portion; winds mostly northerly. Washington-Continued fair weather; winds

WEATHER FORECASTS.

mostly northerly.

Idaho-Continued fair weather; warmer in south portion; west to north winds.

Portland and violatty-Continued fair weather; winds mostly northerly.

A. B. WOLLABER, Acting Forecast Official. AMUSEMENTS.

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