## CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

Amusements Today. CORDRAT'S THEATER (Washington street)-

METROPOLITAN THEATER.-"King of the Optum Hing." MEEDERICESBURG, Seventh and Alder-

DEATH OF CHARLES CATLIN.-Charles Catlin, brother of Judge and Adam Catlin, of this city, died yesterday morning at 254 Salmon street. For several years the deceased resided on Cowitz River, where his father, Seth Catlin, settled in 2842. The town of Catlin is named after the family, and is located where the old oneer first built his cabin. In 1884 the ceased moved from Catiin to Tacoma, where he invested in real estate. remained there until 1895, when he lost his son, Seth. Following that he returned to Catlin, on Cowlitz River, and westded at the old home until his health failed. Recently he came to Portland for treatment. He suffered from a complica-tion of diseases. Mr. Catiin left a wife, who is a daughter of Dr. Ostrander, of Olympia, Wash., and two daughters— Mrs. Grant Foster, of Catlin, Wash., and Mrs. Lake D. Wolford, of Spokane. He known among his friends as a man with very strong will power and fine character. Wherever he had business dealings, which covered most of Washington and Oregon, he left friends who will remember him for his good qualities. The body will be taken Tuesday for burial in the little cemetery at the old Catlin

ENERGETIC 'Bus DRIVERS,-Hotel 'bus ivers have a hard time getting ahead of one another for choice positions at the Grand Central Station. First come first served is the rule agreed on, but the depot superintendent will not permit before train time. Some bus drivers almost camp in a vacant lot near by, in be in ahead of the others, and they will even bring feed for their horses wo as not to lose a chance. Position is several points in favor of the holder, as the last 'bus in the string has to content tiself with what passes all the others when the passengers are filing out of the station on the arrival of a train. Of course, hotels of the more expensive class have their own customers, who will hunt up the 'bus and could not be in-duced to go to a cheaper house, but there are many strangers who can be persuaded to enter the nearest bus, in order to avoid running the gauntlet of all the bus men in town. Position, therefore, is valuable in the hotel-runner's eye, and scraps are not infrequent over its pos-

REPAIRING MORRISON STREET, - The asphalt company is repairing holes in the Morrison-street pavement, beginning at the west end of the street and working Several blocks west of Seventh street have been made as good as new within the past week of fine weather. In repairing asphalt pavement, dry weather is indispensible, as the edges of the old asphalt will not unite with the new when there is any moisture between. ose who have charge of the repairs say that the sand and asphalt for these num-erous little holes have to be mixed by hand, and so the work is much slower than that of laying a new asphalt pave-ment would be. Lower Morrison street has needed patching up for many months, and teamsters and wheelmen using that thoroughfare hope the repairs will reach Front street before the Winter

To GUARD AGAINST SMALLPOX .- City Physician Zan has been instructed by the committee on health and police to procure olippings from all the Northwest papers relating to smallpox or other epimics. If the City Physician is kept thou oughly informed on epidemics adjacent to Portland, he will be better able to protect Portland from them, and unless he is provided with clippings, obtaining such information would be considerable work. He has been authorized to contract with a news clipping bureau, which will be a small expense. Most of the smallpox cases discovered in Portland during the past Summer were from nearby towns.

FOR FILL IN MARQUAM GULCH,-Mayor Rowe states that a certain resident on First street, near Marquam Gulch, haoffered to donate \$500 towards a sum for making a fill there, to replace the trestle now used. This property-owner said he was not so much interested as dozens of others, as he lived on the north side of the guich, but to settle the harassing estion of repairs, he would give \$500.

e Mayor believes there are numerous other property-owners who will do like-wise to have fills made in guiches near their property, and in this spirit of the people sees a hopeful solution of a diffi-

Low Water.-The water in the Willam ette is lower now than usual. Portions of the bank are visible which do not often get above the surface. Scows and houseboats have a substantial footing that does not rock with the swell from passing steamers. Occasionally a yacht that is accustomed to ride at anchor near the shore is now found bumping the bot-tom. Those dwelling near the river front view with concern the yawning mouth of a sewer at some points along the shore, Strangers seeing the low-water mark cannot be convinced that in June the floors of upper docks are often under water.

SMALL Houses Scance, Vacant six-room dwelling houses are very hard to find in Portland at present, although large number have been erected within the past two years. Dwellings of the larger class are found vacant occasbut they are not so eagerly sought after. Most families like a house con taining just rooms enough, and would rather be crowded a little than be compelled to pay rent for apartments not needed. This is probably the reason one sees a large dwelling untenanted occasionally, while looking in vain for a house just the right size

GREEN GRASS ALL THE TIME.-Oregon is perhaps the only portion of the north temperate zone where grass grows the year around. In Portland, the Summers have moisture enough to keep garden plats and vacant lots in almost tropical green, while in Winter the frosts never severe enough to discourage the growth of native grasses for any length of time. Those who keep cows in the vicinity of Portland have long since realined this year-around tendency of the climate, which makes the stock-feeding season longer here than anywhere else

NOMERTES HOMEWARD BOUND .- About 150 returning Nomelies left yesterday morn-ing by the Southern Pacific for their homes. They arrived in Seattle Ohlo and were all in good aptrits and loked more or less about their wild goose chase, saying that their nuggets come by next steamer. Only of the crowd had any gold dust to show, and he said the Nome country was all right. He expected to go back next Summer, but the others had all they wanted

of the frigid zone. GLAD TO GET BACK James White bookkeeper of Ladd & Tilton's Bank, has returned from a two weeks' trip to his old home in Canada. While in Chicago en route to Canada, Mr. White sweltered 90-in-the-shade atmosphere that had all the oppressive elements of latter Sum-mer days in the East, and he breathed freely once more when emerging into the crisp, ideal climatic conditions of the

ADDITION TO HOTEL-A frame building 251 Front street, near Madison, is being torn down to make way for a four-story brick addition to the Hotel Rheinp-fair. That portion of Front street has quite a number of stately brick buildings already, and they are all fully tenanted, owing to the business resulting from increased traffic on the Madis

DENTAL WORK PRES at the college, Fifteenth and Couch streets, except a small fee to cover cost of material for those in moderate circumstances Oregon Mining Stock Exchange 19:30 A. M.

DR BLOCH AT SPOKANE.-Dr. Jacob Bloch, the retired rabbl of the Temple Bloch, the retired rapping was asked to Beth Israel Congregation, was asked to officiate in the Spokane synagogue dur-officiate in the Spokane synagogue during the New Year festival, which has Just closed. Dr. Bloch gindly accepted, as the church there is in need of a strong hand and appreciates even the temporary visit of those able to lead. His sermon was on the subject, "The Beacon Lights of History," which enabled the speaker to trace in a most interesting speaker to trace in a most interesting manner Jewish people from the dawn of history to the present. Some trouble has grown out of local conditions in the Spokane congregation, which seems to have caused a full in the enthusiasm of what is known as the Reformed Hebrew ranks. Dr. Bloch's eminent position in the Jewish church and his tactful manwhile at Spokane are referred to as likely to produce much good there. The hope is expressed that a new life will be awakened and a strong, united congrega-

tion will result. WORK ON STEEL BRIDGE.-The crews of bridge carpenters engaged in repairing the steel bridge are expected to meet in the middle of the draw on Wednesday. The men are laying only one ourse of plank in connection with the cross timbers underneath, and this course will be completed before the work of laying the top planking is begun. The old sidewaiks have been torn away for the entire length of the structure, and so pedestrians and wheelmen have to pick their way over loose planks, along the wagon-way, as best they can. Cyclists are compelled to dismount and lead their wheels, as there is more or less danger of accident from collision with footmen between the street-car tracks, which now project four inches above the first layer of planking. A month or so will be re quired to place the bridge in perfect or-der for traffic of all kinds, and the sidewalks will be found wider than the old ones just torn up.

LICENSE ORDINANCE IN EFFECT TODAY. Today licenses under the new license ordinance are due. A considerable rush is expected at the offices of the City Treasurer and City Auditor. Several business men and professional people have been to the offices already tendering their statements, showing in which class they will be graded. D. Alexander, being first, will get license No. L. A few lawyers have submitted statements, and nearly every one claims to be in the first class. This is quite hopeful. If there is a rivalry among the legal fraternity as to class, there will probably be nothing but first-class licenses taken out. A former resident of a Pennsylvania city says that this spirit of rivalry prevailed there among business men. If a com-petitor classed himself in a given class, all of the other business men pitted against him would go into the lass, or even go him one or two better. LITERARY CLUB FORMED.-The Sunset Literary Club, of the Y. M. C. A., was organized last night. The following officers were elected: President, A. King Wilson; vice-president, A. I. Sutherland; recording secretary, A. W. Thiel; corresponding secretary, E. J. Cowlishaw; treasurer, A. E. Sutton. The club will hold debates in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. every Saturday evening. Next Saturday the question, "Resolved, That President Mo-Kinley is Responsible for the Present Immoral Condition in the Philippines, Brought About by American Occupation,' will be debated. FINE SEPTEMBER SUNDAY .- A Fall cool

ess prevailed in the atmosphere of Portland yesterday, though the weather was very mild and pleasant withal. Many pe-destrians were on the streets all day, the street cars were crowded, and cyclists numerous. The open car will now occa-sionally give place to the closed one, and many pleasant days are expected before they will be discarded altogether.

MUCH ADMIRED.—The carpets in the new M. A. A. C. building were very much admired by the throngs who passed over them on reception night, reflecting great credit upon the furnishing committee for its selection. The superior workmanship also came in for special notice. It was a self-evident fact that an exclusive carpethouse did the job, which, of course, is J. G. Mack & Co.

## TO SAN FRANCISCO BY STEAMER.

At this season of the year the ocean trip to San Francisco is particularly delightful. The ocean is Pacific, both in name and nature, and the scenery, from the Columbia River bar, with its forts and six-mile long jetty, to the world re-nowned "Golden Gate" of San Francisco, is all that can be degired.

The steamers "Columbia" and "State of California," of the O. R. & N. Co.'s line, are large and commodious, and make the 760 mile run between the two ports in 50 hours. Accommodations can be served and tickets purchased at City Ticket Office, 50 Third street, corner Oak. V. A. Schilling, city ticket agent,

## WHERE TO DINE.

The Portland restaurant, 305 Washing on, near 5th, constantly aims to give its patrons satisfaction in every particular.

THE PIANO EPISODE VENTILATED. "Our Cousin," From Walla Walla, Wanted a Cheap Piano and

She Got It. What prompted "our cousin" referred to in yesterday's paper to buy a piano from our genial competitor, was because she wanted a cheap piano—a "mere something" to match her furniture, and as we had shipped our last dappled gray chestnut a few days previously to an Indian reservation in Alaska, we were obliged to let "our cousin" go elsewhere.

It is interesting to note, however, that on the same day "our cousin's" furniture, in the shape of a cheap plano, was being shipped to her home in Walla Walla, that a shipment of high-grade planos. Stecks and Sohmers—were being sent forward by our house to Whitman College, at Walla Walla. In one instance it was a cheap plano that was wanted; in the other planos of a high order, personally selected and carefully tested by an expert, Professor Lovewell, the professor of music in the college.

We mention this merely to show that when it comes to supplying a real cheap instrument, we possibly might not be in it; but when it comes to supplying a high-grade plano, absolutely the best there is on earth, we are strictly in it.

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The Wiley B. Allen Co. is the oldest and largest general music establishment in the Pacific Northwest, with an important branch at 24 Post street, San Francisco, and as we have often said before, the biggest mistakes we have ever made in our business career happened when we were selling the very makes of planos that our late competitors are now puffing in to the skles. It took us years to find up to the skies. It took us years to find out our mistake. The test of time is the only true test for a plano. The planos we have discarded and which are now sold by some of our competitors could not meet the test. And, finally, as the

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TWO GOOD ATTRACTIONS BOSTON LYRICS IN "THE IDOL'S EYE" AT CORDRAY'S.

Herbert's Opera Well Presented-Clever Chinese Drama Given at the Metropolitan.

The Boston Lyric Company has ere this established itself firmly among the admirers of lighter opera in Portland. It has been received with no uncertain approval; as again it was at the "overflow opening at Cordray's Theater last night. That the management returns each year bearing the earmarks of prosperity and success, and seeking still to earn and re-tain popular favor was evident last night. Vocally, the company is stronger, and numerically "The Idol's Eye," the week's run, is bounded only by the stage limi-tations at this house. In short, Colonel

Thompson has no need to say he is proud of his evenly-balanced company. Nothing less than a brilliant performance and a fantasy of gorgeous color and sound was the spectacular portion of the rollicking piece. The opera admits of great possibilities. In "The Idol's Eye" the Thompson company has never appeared to



John Henderson as Abel Conn "The Idol's Eye."

better advantage than last night at the outset of a long—and, may it be, success-ful—engagement here. The public's trib-ute was demonstrated at the box office. The Herbert music to Smith's score fairly effervesces at intervals, just us goodly corked contents are bound to do. The second act is filled with choruses that reach almost the grand opera measure. It appeals to all classes of melody-lovers. But the one-man comedy, in which Daniels made his great hit, isfles' those who want to see a good deal of trifling with the score and music. It seemed as if the audience that packed the house upstairs and down took it for a one-night performance, because they were buying standing room when, ap parently, there wasn't any left inside. It took the big house some time to warm up to the melodious choruses, but it was quietly appreciative. The presentation was most satisfactory. Fresh, elegant costuming, a chorus familiar with its isiness and a concert of happy effort rendered every ensemble satisfactory.

Charles Huntington is the new tenor, and is eminently more satisfactory than his predecessor. Sara Carr is another new face. She is the Chief Priestess of the Temple. Tall, stately, a reassured stage presence, and a clear alto voice, that blended charmingly in the incantation scene, served to demonstrate her capa-bility. Bertha Davis is the third of the bility. new principals in the company. enacted the role of Maraquita, parasol duet with Mr. Hallam, she won one of the distinct encores of the even-So much for the new people, who undoubtedly add to the attractiveness of

the company. As for the rest of those in the presentation, they were instantly recognized— John Henderson, who takes the center of the stage alone for the most part, as Abel Conn, and sprinkles new funnyisms throughout: Henry Hallam, who has not much to do except look handsome; George Kunkel, the becomingly ludicrous "Hoot, mon!": piquant Josephine Stanton, as Damayanti, the Nautch girl: Daisy How-ard, whose good looks are sufficient recommendation; Alex Joel and Frank Maslin, the patriarchal Brahmins, who are two strong bassos. The dressing of the changing scene was effective. Charles Huntington's Introduction as Don Pablo Tobasco, in his serenade, was

pleasing. The other gems of the first act were: "Cholly, of the Guards" and "Just Dropped in Out of a Balloon." by Henderson and chorus, and the duet of Mr. Hallam and Miss Davis, with chorus. The second act was still brighter. The incantation melody was impressive and majestic, followed by the playful "Tat-tooed Man," Henderson and company. The finale was rewarded with long applause. In the last act Miss Davis introduced a pretty ditty with a refrain that was catchy and will be heard this week on the lips of every street whistler. "Fairy Tales," in seven installments and recalls, was participated in by Messrs. Henderson. Hallam, Huntington and Miss Davis, and Miss Stanton, who never is lacking in vivacity. No popular topic, from the ice trust to the Presidential campaign is negoted. The gars are fresh-coined. "The Idol's Eye" will be on all week. There will be a matinee Saturday.

"KING OF THE OPIUM RING."

Chinese Drama Pleases a Crowded House at the Metropolitan. A house packed to the doors greeted the first appearance of "The King of the Opium Ring" at the Metropolitan last night. Every seat was taken long before 8 o'clock, the aisles were filled with chairs, and standing-room was at a premium. The show itself was a success from the start. The thrilling side of the play is relieved by some very funny comedy work, and is full of first-class specialtiof every description; dancing, singing, tumbling and musical oddities. The company is an exceptionally well balanced one and presented the show in an admirable fashion. The staging is especially good; the opium den and the Chinese Highbinder Society headquarters being very realistic and natural. With one trifling exception there is not a weak spot in the company and the show moves with a snap and a dash which is refreshing. The play deals with the opium smug-glers of San Francisco, and many of the characters are taken from life. Two long-

lost and long-separated sisters supply the material for an exciting tale of San Francisco life. Act one shows San Francisco Bay and the smugglers' vessel, the "Hal-cyon," and starts things wrong in excellent style. The second act shows an opium den with startling realism, the third a street in Chinatown, introducing a crowd of sailors, Chinese, policemen, and a very clever acrobatic act by the Wilson Brothers. Act four is the assembly-room of the Fong Quay Society where

the grand finale occurs and the abducted sister is resound from the Highbinders. The honors of the piece were carried off by Lausette Coovey as Sparkle; Frank Hayes as Hop Loy, who did the highest of the comedy work, and Fred Douglas, as George Macey, the King of the opium ring, and the other characters were well taken. Altogether the show is a good on It presents a novel theme and is we worth seeing. The same bill for the re-mainder of the week.

BETTER STREET WORK.

East Side Thoroughfares Are Well Improved.

A large amount and a high class of street improvements are under way on the East Side. Something like 10,000 feet of graveled streets are being constructed in Upper Albina, and are among the best of that class of street improvements. of that class of street improvements. The contractors say they are making little or nothing under the requirements and even City Engineer Chase admits that at the present contract price they cannot make a profit. They are required to select and carefully screen all gravel used, and in so doing they must handle about and in so doing they must handle about two yards of material in order to get one yard of acecptable gravel, but the character of the street justified all this care as the improvements are most excellent and far in advance of the old improvements by gravel. The next streets will cost more, but the extra cost will pay. East Tenth street between Belmont and East Glisan is a sample of the kind of work that is being done in Upper Albina. It is a very satisfactory street, with a compact surface. It is the intention of Engineer Chase to insist that only firstclass work shall be done on these streets.

provokes sympathy.

Colorado reception.

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tensions at greatness, and to be treated like dis," and he shook his fist threaten-

ingly at the crowd of small boys who had

overwhelmed him with the fruits of a

"I am an honest candy vender. I stand

h, 'tis un grand profession!
"Zese young rascais! They come in ur

dans du diable and scatter ze mud over

ze candy. Gar, it wuz terrible. I fix them I go to ze Chief de Police. I say, 'Is this

ze land of ze free and ze home of ze

brave? Look.' But ze boys! Does ! blame ze little playful beggars? No. Zey

were in ze hire by Sticky Nick, me competiteur, me rival in zis bizness. Ah, for

him I have no pitie, no compassion, no mercy. Him, I will squeze, to the wall

I will send, into bankruptcy soon put as I can. He hire ze boys who harass me,

abuse mes costomeurs, sling ze mud. A

The irate candy vender carried his

ruined wares to the police station, con-sulted with Chief of Police McLauchian,

and then went in search of the District

Attorney. Such unfair competition has been his lot on several occasions. His

rival has not only cut in on his sales by overing his beats, but has hired these

small boys to guy the people buying his confections, and also to throw dirt and

rubbish in his trays. He is trying to get

relief from the law, and his competitor may suffer from these overzealous desires

to break the growing candy monopoly of the naturalized Frenchman who hires the

ITS FIRST ANNIVERSARY.

Enjoyable Entertainment at the

Mission to Seamen.

The Mission to Seamen has been in op

eration in Portland just one year, and the first anniversary of the institution was celebrated Saturday night. The hall was

crowded with friends of the mission of

Dr. J. D. Hay, superintendent, read the report of the year's doings, which was considered very satisfactory. Dr. Hay

has made 780 visits to shins in the harbon

during the 12 months; held 100 services ashore and 34 on board vessels in the stream. There were 3275 seamen who

have attended these services. At the in-

quarters at the mission was over 3000. Entertainments during the year aggre-

gated 186, and 3569 attended these. Fully

700 boxes of books were put on board ships for the use of officers and crews.

The seamen ashore found the mission a

ceive letters. Dr. Hay paid a great many

places in the interest of seamen, which resulted in much good. A marked reduc-tion in the number of seamen arrested

for drunkenness was so noticeable that Chief McLauchlan complimented Dr. Hay

on the result. Only six apprentice boys

had deserted ships during the year, and

four of these returned through the ef-

Among the speakers at the entertain-ment were British Consul Laidiaw and Robert Livingstone, Referring to the

present agitation of the sailor boarding-house abuses in Portland, Mr. Laidlaw

said Balfour, Guthrie & Co. were merely carrying out the traditions of the house in taking the brunt of the fight in favor of enforcement of the law in the interest

of the sailor. He said he, personally, knew the founder of the house, and recited instances showing how the elder

Balfour had the welfare of the common

Mrs. McKay, Miss Juston, Mrs. Ham

Miss Stanton, Miss Hagermann, Dr. Da-vid Walker and James Peebles assisted in

the programme by vocal music and reci

tations and the audience dispersed about

19 o'clock, much pleased with the even

PERSONAL MENTION.

H. Hofer, a Salem journalist,, is at the

Dr. Dedman, of Canby, Or., is at the

Leon Cohen, a Pendleton merchant, is at

E. C. Hughes, a merchant of Astoria, is

H. S. McGowan, canneryman of Astoria,

Edwin Sharp, a newspaper man of Ta-coma, is at the Perkins.

Captain C. L. Leavenworth, of Olympia, is registered at the Imperial.

Dr. J. P. Tamiesie, of Hillsboro, regis-

A. B. Dufur, an attorney of The Dalles,

Alice Phoenix, of the Boston Lyric Com-

J. J. Hennessy, a mining man of Sump-ter, is registered at the Imperial.

Salem, is registered at the St. Charles. Henry Heppner, after whom the county

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DR. E C BROWN MYR AND BAR DIREASES

A. M. Catterton, a real estate dealer of

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Sumner Post Rally. The hall of Sumner Post, G. A. R., Union avenue, was packed full of the members and visitors from other posts in the city, the occasion being the opening campfire for the Fail and Winter season. A short business session was held, and then the campfire was opened. Professor M. L. Pratt, chairman of the committee of arrangements, presided and acted as toastmaster. After a short adireas of welcome by the chairman there followed many short talks. Rev. C. E. Cline responded to the remarks of the chairman in an entertaining manner. The regular programme was as follows: Ad-dress, "Missouri in the Great Rebellion," Comrade Canterbury; "The Rock of Chickamauga," John E. Mayo; "The Crisis in China," Comrade Newell; "The Campfire of '61," Comrade Aldrich; "Our Responsi-bility to the Living," C. J. Ward; "The Present System of Army Organization," F. R. Neal; "The Panic at Bull Run," Comrade Braden; "The Hand That Filled the 'Haversack," G. E. Caukin. At the conclusion of the addresses came the social and refreshment season of the even-ing. An artist in making coffee turned out a fine article, while the baked beans were cooked to a turn to suit every one. The old-fashioned army rations were served to an appreciative gathering of old soldiers, who had in the long past partaken of the same rations prepared under very different conditions. This was the best time of the evening. The amount of good feeling and en-

joyment the old soldiers got out of the social time was wonderful. They gathered in groups in the hall and rehearsed the scenes of the Civil War, which had octury ago, in camp and field. Evidently many interesting events in connection with the great rebellion have never seen the light of print, but they may be heard at a campfire of the survivors as they repeat their experiences. It was a late hour when the last glowing embers of this campfire were extinguished. Other similar events will follow under the auspices of the post and Woman's Relief Corps, and the next event will be under the charge of the corps, when the regular army ration of hot coffee and baked beans

East Side Fires. At an early hour yesterday morning fire broke out in a cottage on Williams avenue and Shafer street, occupied and owned by J. Smith and family. It was at about 2:30 when the house was suddenly filled with smoke and drove the family out on short notice. One boy had barely time to get out. He said that he was aroused by the smoke and escaped in a half-suffocated condition. Very little was saved in the house, the fire spread so rapidly. The family got some of their clothing. An alarm of fire was turned in from box 321 and the fire companies turned out promptly. The shell of the house was saved, but little else. How mysterious. The loss is about \$500, and s covered by insurance.

An alarm of fire was turned in from box 221 Saturday night. Williams and Mason streets. A small barn out on Alberta str t took fire and was destroyed. it was uncoubtedly set on fire.

The East Side companies were called yesterday to extinguish the smoldering fire in the pile of street sweepings under the intersection of Union avenue and Belmont street. The fire started here by spontaneous combustion, and on severa ccasions before it caused the departm much trouble. The companies were at work about four hours before the fire was finally extinguished. It is very dirty work for the firemen. They have to get down on the dump in order to accomplish any hing. District Engineer Holden thinks the dumping of street sweepings under the roadways should be stopped, as there is constant danger from fires from them. It is necessary to extinguish fires in these lumps or they may damage the road-WATE.

Portland Presbytery.

The Portland Presbytery of the Cum-berland Presbyterlan Church will meet this evening in the First Church, corner East Twelfth and East Taylor streets. A erator will be elected and a will be delivered. Tomorrow will be devoted to the transaction of general busi-ness. In the evening the ladies will have charge of the services and an interesting programme will be rendered.

Miss Nellie Moons, who has been so-journing at Mount Tabor, has returned to her home at Newburg, Or. W. A. Shelley and family, formerly of Oregon City, have moved into the Lewis residence near Mount Tabor.

A. S. Fogg and family have taken po session of the residence at Mount Tabor ormerly occupied by the Crow family. A. J. Johnson and family, who lived at Montavilla, have moved to University Park, where they will make their home. R. Hofer, who is the Postmaster at Fairview, has improved the postoffice at that place by new letter boxes and other vements for the benefit of the resi-

Claude, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Schmeer, who was seriously ill at Great Falls, Mont., has reached his home in safety. He is still quite weak from his sickness, but is gaining in strength and will soon be fully restored. Mrs. Schmeer, who was attending him and returned home quite ill before he arrived, is also reovering.

A. B. Bloomer, an old and well-known East Side resident, has just returned from Sumpter, where he had been in charge of a sawmill. He had been absent from Portland a year and a half. Mr. Bloomer says that the boom has exhausted itself at Sumpter, but that the country is all right, and it will grow substantially now forward. He says a \$35,000 hotel is under construction besides many other

Dr. Wise, room 64. The Dekum.

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Going All the Way From New York to BAD BOYS EXECUTE IT AT EX-Dubuque, Iowa. PENSE OF CANDY VENDER.

Sending a baby all alone on a long journey is quite an undertaking, and very few would care to assume such a task, even though modern transportation companies offer every convenience and facility. A contract was entered into the other day, however, by Eliers Piano House, to deliver at Dubuque, Ia., the new home of Rev. Hugh D. Atchison, formerly of Grace M. E. Church, here, one of the most beautiful mahogany bables ever sent to Iowa. Mr. Atchison is a very accomplished musician and an organist as well, and one of the best judges of piano values. He did not care to ship his old piano East, so he called at Ellers Piano House, and immediately upon trying one of the New Weber baby grands, he decided to purchase one, and a contract was accordingly made, whereby Ellers Piano House takes his old Steinway here in part payment for a fine new Weber haby grand to be delivered direct from factory at the parsonage of St. Luke's Church, in Dubuque, ia.

Only a few weeks ago Rev. Thomas McClelland, formerly of Pucific University, who was called to Knox College, purchased a new plano from Eliers Piano House, to be delivered at Galesburg, they taking Mr. McClelland's old Chickering in part payment here.

Mr. Ellers has been engaged in the wholesale piano business East for many years, and is personally acquainted with the leading dealers over the entire United States, and on account of these connections, it is a very simple matter for Ellers Piano House to sell planes such a long distance from headquarters. Animosity of a Jealous Rival Causes Him to Invoke the Aid of the Law. There is war among the candy venders of Portland. Not only are the ordinary lines of competition being drawn tighter and the sweets-loving public receiving larger quantities of pink and white taffy for a nickel, but there is actual danger that arrests and litigation will follow as the result of the jealousy and friction between rivals in the sticky trade. There is mud-slinging in all occupations and in all circles of life, often even in churches, and characters are besmirched with im-

punity in daily life. But when it comes to the candy business, mud-slinging, both literal and figurative, is too much to be borne quietly, and the wall of the be-daubed vender has a pathetic ring that

"Now, wouldn't zat rasp you? Wouldn't zat jar your vertebrate column? Wouldn't zat make ze hair of one bald man stand up in holy horror?" asked a leading candy vender, with six boys in his employ, show-ing his tray filled with dust and mud, banana and lemon peelings in such profusion and quantity that the

colored variety were entirely concealed seat of Morrow is named, is at the Per-"Does I look like M'sleur Teddy Roose O. H. Fithian, a prominent merchant velt? Does I stand on ze corner and preach ze 'strenuous life'? Does I show of Chicago, is at the Perkins, with his family. my teeth ven I smile? I make no pre

P. A. Stokes, G. C. Fulton and F. P. Kendall, of Astoria, registered at the Imperial yesterday, on a hunting expedition up the West Side. NEW YORK, Sept. 30.-Northwestern

people registered at New York hotels toat night over my steaming kettles. I sniff ze fragrance of ze simmering contents—delicious! I test ze tany in purcold water, and zen before she is yet cool, I pull her out in long white strands day as follows: From Portland-Mrs. W. P. Hawley, the Murray Hill; E. Schiller, at the Broadway Central.

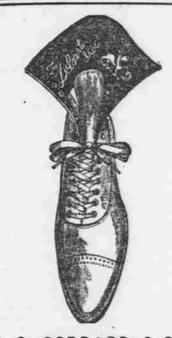
From Seattle-M. M. Stewart and wife, at the Imperial.
From Tacoma-E. Montgomery, at the Rossmore; Dr. E. A., J. T. and O. Trom-maid, at the Broadway Central.

Vacation for Dr. Adams. MADISON, Wis., Sept. 39.—The board of regents of the State University today issued a statement announcing the tempo rary retirement of Dr. Charles Kendall Adams as president of the university. Dr. Adams is given a vacation for a term of one year on account of poor health. Dean E. A. Birge will be the acting president of the institution.



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