

WHOSE RIGHTS? Struggle for Grade Between Vancouver and Kalama

INDICATES IMPORTANT MOVES

CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS SUPPOSED TO BE FOR PURPOSE OF EMBARRASSING THE COLUMBIA VALLEY ROAD ON ITS WAY TO THE SEA.

A good deal of mystery surrounds the proceedings begun in Clark and Cowlitz Counties, Wash., and in Puget Sound for a railroad between Portland and Seattle. This mystery comes through the fact that the identity of the promoters of the Washington & Oregon Railway Company does not appear in any proceedings that have yet been taken.

UNION PACIFIC'S PROSPERITY.

Increased Earnings, but No Change in Dividends Yet. NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—President Burt, of the Union Pacific, has arrived in the city to attend the meeting of the directors of the Union Pacific.

BUYING NORTHERN PACIFIC.

Manitoba Takes Part of System in That Province. WINNIPEG, Man., Jan. 29.—The Manitoba Government has purchased the lines of the Northern Pacific Railroad in this province. Such was the brief announcement made by the premier.

COLUMBIA SOUTHERN SUE.

Case in United States Court to Wind Up the Company. Suit was begun in the United States Circuit Court yesterday to wind up the affairs of the Columbia Southern Railroad, so far as concerned the company and its stockholders.

THAT DEAL WITH ST. PAUL.

Will Require a Little Time to Complete It Fully. NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—James J. Hill left here tonight for St. Paul. The press, commenting upon Mr. Hill's departure, will say tomorrow:

SUES FOR GREAT NORTHERN COAL.

Incidentally, a New Geological Theory is Involved. DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 29.—Papers were filed at St. Paul today in a suit of the utmost importance, not alone on account of the amount of money involved, but because of scientific revelations that will be made when it comes to trial.

DEATH REVEALED HER SEX

MURRAY HALL MASQUERADED ALL HER LIFE AS A MAN.

She Made a Fortune as a Professional Bondsmen and Politician, and Was Widely Known.

There was born in the lower West Side of the city, about 42 years ago, a child whose surname was Hall, says the New York Tribune. The little one was a girl. Whether or not the parents christened her Mary Hall or Elizabeth Hall is not known by any living person now.

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known in the street in which she lived and died, but she had a large number of friends. She was known as a professional bondsmen, and this fact alone gained for her considerable notoriety. She had great political influence in the district in which she lived, but it could not be traced last night.

REFUSED A MEDAL.

Mrs. Nation Declined to Be Honored in That Way. TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 29.—Mrs. Carrie Nation has been busy today along the lines of moral persuasion and has pursued nothing in the way of forcible tactics. She called upon the Sheriff, City Attorney and Probate Judge, urging each to enforce the law against the illegal sale of liquor.

SEVERAL FLAT CARS SMASHED.

Saturday noon the men who are employed by the Southern Pacific in loading cars with dirt at the Edwards hill, above Springfield, left several loaded cars on the track, without placing a signal to warn the train.

ST. PAUL'S PROCEEDINGS A SECRET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The Mail and Express says: None of those who were at the St. Paul meeting, yesterday afternoon, would talk on financial matters supposed to have been discussed there.

MURRAY HALL'S WILL TANGLE.

It Will Be a Puzzling and Unique Case for Lawyers. NEW YORK Evening Post: With the issue today of subpoenas to witnesses called for the inquest into the cause of the death of Murray Hall, the Tammany politician who concealed her sex for many years and masqueraded as a man, there is likely to come up a very puzzling will case for the lawyers to wrangle over.

CARNEGIE'S GIFT TO MAINE CITY.

LEWISTON, Me., Jan. 29.—The City Council will today vote to accept the offer of Andrew Carnegie to give for a free public library 10 times the amount the city would appropriate annually for its support.

MR. NATION'S WORK COMMENDED.

EMPORIA, Kan., Jan. 29.—The Methodist Society, of the College of Emporia, passed a resolution today heartily commending the work of Mrs. Nation. The resolution was signed by every member of the society and three members of the faculty.

OLD PAVILION MUST GO

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS ORDERS REMOVAL OF FIRE TRAP.

Improvements on Fourteen Streets and Sewers in Three—No New Electric Lights.

Portland will soon see the last of Mechanics' Pavilion, the scene of its first industrial fair. The old frame Bietz must go. Yesterday, the Board of Public Works directed Auditor Devlin to advertise for bids for the sale of the building and to have it removed from the block on which it stands.

NEELY'S BOND.

Fidelity Company May Contest Liability. NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—A special to the Times from Baltimore says: President Edwin Warfield, of the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Baltimore, has gone to New York to consult Frank H. Pyle, vice-president of the company.

STARVING ON NAVASSA.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The Tribune says: While John B. H. Jefferson, of Baltimore, and Captain Wyatt Owen, of the same city, are disputing about the right of Jefferson to send relief to them, James Woodard, William A. Humphrey, and John Hill and John A. Bell are said to be starving on Navassa Island, in the Caribbean Sea.

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SPORTS AT BUFFALO EXPOSITION.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—It is expected that the athletic contests at the Pan-American exposition will be second to none ever held in America or Europe. They are to continue for six months and will be open to the world and will be held in one of the most spacious and magnificent stadia ever erected.

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Poems.

By George Cabot Lodge, Joseph Russell Taylor, Josephine Dodge Daakam and Marie Van Vorst.

Charles Scribner's Sons.

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In all its stages there should be eliminated. ELY'S CREAM BALM.

SCRIBNER'S MAGAZINE

FOR FEBRUARY

Mrs. Gilbert's Stage Reminiscences.

In introducing these interesting memoirs, the editor, Mrs. Charlotte M. Martin, says: "Those who have been so fortunate as to know Mrs. Gilbert well must have been placed often in the position so familiar to the editor of these pages, of listening to a delightful flow of reminiscence, anecdote and 'good talk'." To repeated requests that she write her autobiography, Mrs. Gilbert finally answered, "I have never done it for anybody, but I will do it for you," and these delightful reminiscences of 60 years of the American stage are the result.

Russia of Today.

"Mr. Henry Norman is revealing Russia as few writers have done," says the Chicago Advance. The fourth of his notable Russian articles describes the romantic region of Turkestan, going through such strange cities as Merv, Bokhara and Samarkand. Mr. Norman's account of the picturesque people and their unusual industries furnishes one of his most interesting chapters. The illustrations are mostly from his own photographs.

The Amateur Cracksmen.

Raffles reappears in a new and ingenious enterprise, this time invading the halls of the British Museum itself. "Shrewd as Sherlock Holmes," the inextinguishable Raffles has been pronounced by many of the readers of his earlier adventures, and his new enterprises, as described by Mr. E. W. Hornum in Scribner's, offer fresh cause for surprise. The stories are fully illustrated by F. C. Yohn.

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