REMARKABLE FIGHT

The Oregon Senatorial Contest Has Been Such.

SINGLE SENSATIONAL EVENT

That Was the Breaking Away of McBride's Supporters to Williams-Resume of the Sitnation.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 17 .- After nearly five weeks of fighting, the Senatorial question is unsolved. It must be settled week, for adjournment will occur either Friday or Saturday. It has been a quiet campaign, but on the whole a remark-able one. To the view of the spectator, it has presented no features of a spectacular nature, and few that were ever ordinarily interesting. The one event that approached the sensational was the bodily transfer of the McBride forces to Judge Williams. Withal it was accom-panied by no display of fireworks. If a stampede had been desired or planned, it is to be supposed that the leaders of the Republican opposition would have emitted a blaze of oratorical pyrotech-nics. Nor was the withdrawal of Senator McBride attended by any eulogies. Not a drum was heard, nor a funeral note As his corse to the ramparts we hurried. There was just a ripple on the pool of his ambition as he went to the bottom and all was over.

The reason for this singular self-re-

pression was that the late McBride leaders did not want to stir up any excitement. They did not desire to elect Judge Williams. They were for him at that time solely because they could not be for anybody else. They had to move and it was easier to play safe by get-ting under the shelter of Judge Williams' distinguished name than in any other way. But suppose they had elected Judge Williams? No greater calamity could have happened, in the view of some of the band-wagon politicians who are in politics for what there is in it. In other words with them realities is other words, with them, politics is a game that has its rewards and its pen-alties, and rewards are for the successful players, and penalties for the many unsuccessful. Now, to elect a man for United States Schator purely on his merits, and without a bargain of some kind wherein they see something in it for themselves—viz., an office or its equivalent-is a thing these gentlemen do not dream of doing. Of course it is not meant to say that all the Republican members of the opposition were inspired by motives of this sordid kind. Just some of them. Others had their reasons for preferring another candidate. others had ambitions of their own that Judge Williams' election would have totally defeated. A few only are entitled to credit for having voted for Judge Williams in entire good faith, and with the sincere hope that he might be successful.

Now, as to Binger Hermann, wants Hermann? A few members from his own part of the state have made an earnest and honest effort for him. The sentiment of their constituents is, they sentment of their constituents is, they think, largely for him. But they have not been hide-bound, and it is known that the Hermann men have for the most part felt that it is the duty of the Legislature to elect, and if they could not get their candidate, after a fair and proper contest they were willfair and proper contest, they were will-ing to unite with other Republicans in making a choice. It seemed likely a few days ago that the Hermann men-or part of them-would seek themselves settle the contest by arrangement some kind with the Republican majority. To prevent a movement of that kind, the opposition have gone in a body to the Land Commissioner, swelling his total to 30-two less than Mr. Corbett, Naturally, the original Hermann men could not easily leave their candidate as long as his vote seemed to be growing, as on the surface it looked as if he had a good chance to win. But they know perfectly well that the Hermann strength is fictitious, and that it would be dis-sipated quickly enough if the time ever came when an election for him were in sight. This looks like sound strategy on the part of the Mitchell-McBride men. It holds the Hermann men to Hermann an impossibility, and away from Corbett a dangerous probability. But what hap-pens when the time comes for them (the McIsride faction) to leave Hermann? Will they take with them the Hermann men who know they have been deceived, ca-joled and played false with from the bewill they drive these genlemen to Mr. Corbett, who has for square politics from the beginning? The Mitchell-McBride crowd will have to make a break sooner or later. They have so far stuck to Hermann on the theory that they were doing him no good and Mr. Corbett much harm. But when the time comes for them to throw the Southern Oregon man-and it come-they are likely to find that they have only delayed-not conquered-the in-

The progress of the Senatorial campaign for the 22 ballots ending Satur-day is clearly shown by the appended

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Scattering votes have at various times branch, the remainder proceeding west been cast for M. C. George, T. C. Taylor, been cast for M. C. George, T. C. Taylor, W. E. Robertson, Richard Williams and Representative Orton.

Representative Orton.

Representative Orton.

It is a noteworthy fact that Mr. Corabout has at no time lost a vote once gained. That is to say, every member who was for him on the first day, voted for him on each successive day through-out the entire 22 bailots so far cast, except, of course, in cases of absence. And so it was with every member who subsequently joined the Corbett forces It is doubtful if so striking an example solidity and unity was ever displayed in Oregon politics. It is constant, standing notice that the Corbett people are entrenched behind an adamantine purpose to procure his election, and today it seems more than doubtful if they can

SEATTLE BENCH SHOW.

Special Inducements Will be Offered to Northwest Dog Handlers.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 17.-The ex-ecutive committee of the Seattle Kennel Club, which will give a bench show in Seattle, April 10 to 13 inclusive, has decided to offer several inducements to Oregon and California dog handlers. To handler bringing the largest string of dogs from Oregon, a cash prize of \$30 will be given. The California handler who brings the largest string from his state will receive \$25. British Columbia is given a \$25 prize, or \$5 more than Oregon, because there is so much difficulty connected with passing the dogs through

A cash prize of \$10 will be given to the tem of fraternal effort.

handler bringing the largest string of dogs, no matter where they come from so long as they are owned outside of Se-attle, or King County.

A special prize of \$5 cash will be given in every class to the winner of given in every class to the winner of first prize where there are 10 entries or

sending big entry lists to Portland and

PHENOMENAL POLE VAULT. Henter, of Oregon University, Clears

11 Feet 1 3-4 Inches Indoors. EUGENE, Or., Peb. 17.-At the indoor athletic tournament at the University of Oregon last evening, Roy Heater, the henomenal all-around athlete from Newsmashed the Pacific Coast record for the pole vault, clearing the bar at II feet 1% inches, and almost equaling the Pacific Coast outdoor record of 11 feet, 3 inches, held jointly by Cutter, of the Olympic Club, and Hoffman, of Berkeley. It is the general opinion that Heater ley. It is the general opinion that measurable will vault il feet 6 inches when the out-

door senson begins, At the tournament last evening there was a lively game of indoor baseball bewas a lively game of indoor baseball be-tween the University of Oregon and the Eugene High School. The former team won by a score of 6 to 4. The basket-ball game between the freshmen and the High School was won by the freshmen; score, 16 to 5. Following the basket-ball game, Professor Burden, Russell, Riddell and Edwards gave an exhibition of tumbling and ring work and Heater of tumbling and ring work, and Heater and Tout did the high jump, clearing the bar at 5 feet 3 inches.

C. H. Markham to Address Students. C. H. Markham, of Portland, will address the students Tuesday evening on the subject of "Railway Transportation."

IDAHO MIDLAND MAY GO.

New Life Appears in Boise's Railroad Enterprise.

Idaho Feb. 16 - Things look brighter at this time for the Idaho Mid-iand than for a long time past. There was a meeting last night between the Chamber of Commerce, trustees of the Boise right-of-way and Thomas W. Bates, E. A. Green and O. E. Jackson, of the Midland. Mr. Green lately arrived from

At the meeting last night he stated he was here merely as the agent for the people whom Mr. Bates had tried to interest in the venture. He had been sent bere to investigate and to verify, if pos-sible, the statements Bates bad made. He said that so far he had found, not only that matters were as he had stated, but better. Mr. Green will remain some time, going over the many reports, personally visiting different sections, and looking up the feasibility of the project generally. He appears to be very well pleased, has created a good impression by his care-ful and conservative attitude.

The Idaho Midland is the proposed road from this city to Butte. Through some misadventure the project "fell down" last year, but the promoter, Thomas Bates, never gave up, and sent East, where he remained some months, finally interestsent their agent here to investigate

NORTHWEST DEAD.

T. H. Gilbert, Oregon Pioneer of 1854.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Feb. 17 .- T. H. GIIbert, an Oregon pioneer of 1854, died here this morning, of paralysis, aged 84 years,

Funeral of G. W. Coffenbury. ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 17,-The funeral of W. Coffenbury was held from Pohl's dertaking pariors today, and was attended by a large number of the old ploneers and friends of the deceased. The services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Trumbull, pastor of the Baptist Church, and the interment was in the Old Plonee cemetery, on Clatsop Plains.

Jerome Catlin, Pioneer Seattle Man SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 17,-Jerome Catlin, a pioneer business man, dropped dead this morning at his home in this city. He was stricken with apoplexy while dressing. He was & years of age, and dressing. He was & years of age, and was for many years a hop dealer in Chicago. He had followed the same

WILL VOTE ON BOND QUESTION. Eugene School District May Float \$25,000 of Its Paper.

EUGENE, Or., Feb. 17.-Whether or Eugene shall be bonded for \$25,000 for the erection of a new eight-room schoolhouse in the eastern portion of the city and improvements to the present buildings will be decided at the annual school meeting next month. This was decided at a special meeting held last night. The board of directors has recommended the new building, the addition of a room to the Central School building, and the mov-ing of the High School from rented quarters to the latter.

Indications of Coal. Rev. B. C. Cook of Springfield reports

having discovered indications of coal near that place a few days ago. He says he has had the coal tried by local black-smiths, who pronounce it of fair quality. The report does not cause any excitement, as similar discoveries have been made in them has proved valuable.

FIFTEEN HUNDRED HOMESEEKERS From the East, and Are Headed for

Western Oregon and Washington. PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 17.—Fifteen pundred homeseekers passed through Pendleton yesterday on three spe trains over the O. R. & N., bound Western Oregon and Washington. three special hundred went north on the Spokane

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money with which to purchase land,

Sheep for Puget Sound.

Rugg Bros. yesterday delivered to McCarty a trainload of fat sheep, which were shipped to Puget Sound. It is understood the price paid was # 50

Organization for Short Time Delayed OREGON CITY, Feb. 17.-The promoters

of the Oregon City Co-operative Meat Market held a meeting at the City Council chamber last night, with the intention of organizing and electing a board of directors. However, it was discovered that while one-half of the capital stock had been subscribed on sheets of paper, it was necessary to have the names on the stock-book before organization could be legally effected. This matter will be remedied at ce, and organization will proceed. Considerable enthusiasm was shown, and a determination expressed to start up the business at the earliest possible date.

The Washington Auxiliary of the Na-The Washington tional Fraternal Congress was organized by representatives of 12 of the leading fraternal beneficiary societies of the fraternal beneficiary societies of the state at Scattle Wednesday. The objects of the association are to unite the orders of the association are to unite the orders in perfecting the methods of work, the plans for the collection and disbursements of funds, the gathering of statistics and the gradual elevation of the whole sys-

WORK BEFORE THE SENATE

ONE HUNDRED BILLS ARE YET TO BE ACTED UPON.

Some Fifty House Bills Are Also Before It-The Most Important Mensures.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 17 .- With five days of the Legislative session remaining, Senate has finally disposed of 129 of 229 bills that have been introduced in that branch of the law-making body. Of those that remain, probably 75 will be acted upon before the end of this week. The Senate has also before it some 30 House bills, most of which have been read but once. While the House has but 50 of its bills before the Senate, the Senate has 75 of its measures before the House. The House also has still failed to dis-pose of some 175 of its own bills. It pose of some 1% of its own bills. It thus appears that the Senate is, on the whole, farther advanced in the senate is, whole, farther advanced in its work than is the House, and that it has the better

prospect of clearing up its important bus-iness before the end of the session. It would also seem that if either house is to give attention to bills that have been passed by the other, this must be done by each at the sacrifice of its own measures. The Senate is up with its work on third reading of Senate bills, while the House has nearly 109 bills on third reading. The Senate is ready, therefore, to consider House bills, but the House is not ready to consider Senate bills. In this situation there would in the regular course be a better prospect for House bills to become laws than for Senate bills to reach the desired goal, But the Senate will probably not permit the House to gain this advantage, but will require the lower branch to recipro-

cate by passing as many Senate bills as the Senate shall pass House bills. The most important measures that have yet passed either house are the two Booth bills, the first of which, for the appor-tionment of taxes, has passed both houses, and the second, providing for the assessment and taxaton of property, has passed only the Senate. Each of them was disposed of with scarcely any discussion. Three appropriation bills are yet to be disposed of, and two of these may require extensive discussion. The first appropriation bill, providing for the mainnance of the various departments state, has already advanced to third reading in the House and will probably meet the approval of both houses with but slight opposition. The second bill will provide for the expenses of the elecmosynary, penal and educational insti-tutions of the state, though there is some talk of dividing this bill so as to make the appropriations for the normal schools stand upon their merits and not go through as riders upon the appropriations for the penitentiary, reform school etc. The third bill will cover specia appropriations, such as those for payment of claims, for charitable institu-tions, for the Pan-American exposition etc. Both of these bills will receive close scrutiny in each house, for the amounts appropriated by these bills will deterto a great extent the total of the

Of the measures pending in the Senate the bills relating to fisheries, aid for the Supreme Court, and to the cost of state printing, will be among those that will require the most time and attention. It is probable that a fishery bill will be reported by the House committee and will reach the Senate in that manner, so that whatever action the Senate takes will be in the nature of amendments to the House bill. There are several fishery bills on the Senate calendar, but all are in the hands of committees and will toubtless remain there until a general

expenditures authorized by this Legisla

doubtess remain there until a general bill for the revision of the laws on this subject shall be agreed upon. There is reason to believe that the Leg-islature will not pass any measure for assistance to the Supreme Court, but if any of the measures now pending should be called up, the consideration of their provisions would be long drawn out.

There are two bills pending in the Sen-ate having for their object a reduction in the expense for public printing. One of these is by Kuykendall, to reduce the printing, and the other Smith of Multnomah, to reduce the rate to be paid. Both are expected to meet a strong opposition in the lobby and will probably be subjects of controversy on the floor of the Senate.

Of the House bills awaiting the action

of the Senate, Poorman's military bill is the most important, with Montague's bill to provide compensation for the Indian war veterans a good second.

est import, however, that provoke the most lengthy discussion, and these weighty measures may be passed upon in a few moments, while measures almost trivial in comparison take up nearly a whole

Since the Hunt primary bill has stirred up discussion on the outside, it is possible that it may be amended in the House and come back to the Senate for further cor

As it is already apparent that the Senate cannot hope to take final action on all the Senate and House bills now pending, it is probable that the subjects most in need of attention will be made special orders, thus advancing them on the caiendar. The only bill now on the calendar as a special order is Sweek's bill No. 222, for the regulation of surety companies doing business in this state be taken up at 2 P. M. Monday. After that is out of the way the Senate will probably pass upon a few Senate bills and then take up House bills. The House bills on third reading are as follows: House bill No. 11, by Mattoon, relating to the bidding in of property sold for

House bill No. 18, by Colvig, to fix the time for holding Circuit Court in the First district. House bill No. 52, by Dresser, relating

to appeals. House bill No. 22, by Stewart, to provide for school libraries. House bill No. 65, by Pearce, authorizing employment of clerks in State Treasur-

House bill No. 59, by Grace, to punish the poisoning of domestic animals. House bill No. 171, by Smith, of Marion,

o provide state revenue House bill No. 121, by committee on ducation, to grant life diplomas to certain graduates of chartered institutions. House bill No. 20, by Kirk, making le-

gal certain marriages, House bill No. 26, by Colvig, to fix time for holding terms of County Courts, House bill No. 29, by Pearce, providing where personal property shall be taxed, House bill No. 26, by Poorman, for reorganization of militia.

TWO HORSES DROWNED. Six Passengers on Stage Had a Nar-

row Escape. EUGENE, Feb. 17.—E. Bangs, the liveryman, lost a valuable team yesterday by drowning. He started the horses to take a party of members of the A. O. U. W. to Wendling, where they were to in-stitute s lodge, and E. Pickard was driver, They reached the McKenzie River, just beyond the Ebbert place, where there is a low place in the road. The river was high and this part of the road was covered with water. Pickard asked all of his six passengers to get out, and walk on the railroad bridge, while he attempted to drive through. The water was too deep, else the driver missed the track, and team and driver were soon swimming. Pickard managed to get into a crotch in a tree where he could hold the horses' heads, and Mr. Shuman, one of the passengers, attempted to cut the horses loose from the wagon, but on account of the plunging of the team he was unable to do this After half an hour the horses sank, and

the men, who were by this time chilled, were drawn out by means of a rope Road Damaged by Freshet.

W. A. White, driver of the Siuslaw stage, came in late last night riding one horse, and leading three. He reports

great damage to the road by the freshet. and that it is impossible to get through with a wagon. He thinks it will require about as much work to put the road in good shape as was necessary after the freshet last month,

MAN PROBABLY DROWNED,

Freshet Surrounded His Home, and It Is Not Thought He Escaped. JEFFERSON, Or., Feb. 17.-The San-tiam River at this place took an unexpected rise Friday night, and yesterday morning found that portion of Linn Coun-ty opposite this city under several feet of water, teams nor people not being able to reach the wagon bridge. The house of Abraham Crooks, located

near the wagon bridge, was surrounded by water, and Mr. Crooks is missing. He lived alone, and no doubt is entertained by all people of his death by drowning while trying to reach higher ground. His horse was found, with bridle and halter on standing on a knoll near the house The dwelling was entered by means of a skiff, and it was found that the occupant before leaving had placed most of the ar ticles upon shelves, beyond reach of the water. All day long men have been searching for the body of Mr. Crooks, one of his gloves being found a few hundred yards below the house. The river is fall-ing at present, and if it continues it is thought probable the body will be found in some of the numerous holes or drifts, Abraham Crooks was a member of a prominent pioneer Linn County family,

Oregon Notes. Work will soon begin on the new brew-

ery at Baker City. Lane County teachers will hold an in stitute at Eugene March 1-2,

A local teachers' institute will be at Grant's Pass February 23. The Recorder and Clerk of Washington County collected \$211 80 in fees last month. An Elkton correspondent says that recent cold weather has much benefited the

The Astoria Push Club will take up the matter of establishing a Farmers' Ex-

The Robins saw mill, six miles east of Union, has been leased by a man from

Eugene veterans of the Spanish and Philippine wars are planning to organize a local association. A paper is being circulated at Newberg

soliciting subscriptions to stock for the purpose of operating a cannery. The first issue of the McMinnville News has appeared. McMinnville has a good many newspapers, but evidently there is

room for one more. Tom Gilliam's log drive, consisting of 4,000,000 feet, is stranded in the Mohawk waiting for a freshet. It is consigned to the Booth-Kelly mills at Coburg.

It is announced from Harrisburg that David Busey has sold his farm on Lake Creek to Mr. Busbee, from Washington, The consideration is said to have been

The six dozen fron bedsteads recently purchased by the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company for their bunkhouse at Wendling were shipped from Eugene Wednes day. The bunkhouse is finished.

The Heppner Milling Company last week shipped a lot of second-hand muchinery to Portland. As soon as the water opens up again the mill will be run to its full capacity day and night. The Penland Land & Livestock Com-

pany has completed the construction of a private telephone line between its ranches eight miles southeast of Heppner and the city. Most of the distance a barbed wire

Major L. D. Forrest has received from the Corvallis and Salem mills contracts for 4,000,000 feet of logs to be delivered at the mouth of the McKenzie River the latter part of June. Several camps will be started up by the contractor at once. Barbed wire telephone lines are coming union fashion in Morrow County. The back into fashion in Morrow County. The latest is one between the ranch of C. E.

Jones, near Eight Mile postoffice, and Heppner, via O. E. Farnsworth's ranch, on Rhea Creek, and the public road to George H. Helsinger said at La Grande "I did well enough last year to justify

the other day, in regard to sugar beets me in putting in the same acreage again this year. Gaining by my experience of last season, I expect without a doubt to make this year from the 240 acres of sugar beets a very comfortable profit. Last year the growers of sugar beets in this valley were somewhat pestered by s small, black insect, which has appeared n various parts of the United This year, wherever this black bug appears in Grand Ronde Valley, we expect to beat it out by proper attacks."

Washington Notes.

Centralia uses 800 incandescent lights. PuyaRup's business men have organized Board of Trade.

The Everett Water Company has decided to make a reduction in rates. A petition to the Rosalia Council is being circulated asking that no saloon licenses be granted this year.

Moran Bros., of Seattle, have begun con struction of their new workshops where they will build the battle-ship Georgia. A rifle and shotgun tournament will be teams from the local club and from Day-

Hog cholera and swine plague are epidemic at Pomeroy. Seventy-five head have been killed by order of the State Vet-

The cylinder of the engine at Kunze's Arlington blew day, and it was necessary to send for a

new engine. The state fish hatchery at Dartford has about 50,000 young steelhead salmon nearly

ready to be turned loose into the Little The old Inman saw mill below Steven-son, which has been idle a long time, is to be started up again in the near future

It will be entirely remodeled. The ice harvest is finished at Ellens-burg and a fine crop has been stored. Tjossem & Son have been shipping about 45 carloads a day-800 tons. It is 12 inche

The Palouse River Lumber Company ha succeeded in getting about 4,000,000 feet of its logs to the bank of the Palouse despite the unfavorable weather and lack of snow, leaving but 600,000 feet of logs in the timber.

The Detroit Free Press last year offered \$35,000 in prizes for the best 1000 gueses as to the population of the United States the census of 1900. I. W. according to the census of 1990. L. W. Woods, of Shelton, was one of those of the third class, and secured a prize of \$4 on his guess of 76,067,247.

Licorice.

Chambers's Journal. In the Southern Caucasus large tracts of land are covered by the licorice plant, A Scotch gentleman who visited this country from Constantinople had his attention drawn to this potential source of wealth, and erected a factory on the spot for the distillation of the licorice juice. The erection of similar factories quickly wed, so that now a large export trade is carried on in this product, and the peasantry of the district find a remunerative occupation in the gathering and sale of the root to these establishments.

No Plans for Gold Standard MEXICO CITY, Feb. 17.-It is insisted

here in Government circles that there is no plan prepared for introducing a gold

The Equitable

Life Assurance Society Of the United States.

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Forty-first Annual Statement, for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1900

ASSETS	INCOME
Bonds and Mortgages \$ 45,411,662.8	6 Premium Receipts \$ 45,319,138.69

Income \$58,007,130.98

Interest, Rents, etc.....

DISBURSEMENTS. Death Claims \$ 14,860,952.15 Endowments and deferred 5,039,038.75 Annuities 668,923.98

Surrender Values 1,915,443.77 Dividends to Policyholders... 3,481,640.65 Pald Policyholders\$25,965,999.30

Commissions, Advertising, 5,604,396.11 postage and exchange..... All other disbursements.... 4,692,571.10 Sinking Fund Reduction of book values of bonds purchased at a premium. 236,160.00

Total Assets\$304,598,063.49 Disbursements\$36,499,126.51 We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. ALFRED W. MAINE, 2nd Auditor, FRANCIS W. JACKSON, Auditor,

LIABILITIES.

Real Estate in New York,

including the Equitable Building United States, State, City

and Railroad Bonds and other investments (market value over cost, \$15,376,022.00).

Stocks (market value, \$31,233,188)

Loans Secured by Bonds and

Policy Loans

Real Estate outside of New

Cash in Banks and Trust

Balance due from agents

Interest and Rents

York, including 12 office build-

Companies at interest

(Due, \$107,760.95. Accrued, \$489,-

Premiums due and in process

Deferred Premiums

Assurance Fund (or Reserve) \$235,343,493.00 All other Liabilities 3,117,400.48

Total Liabilities\$238,460,893.48

ASSURANCE.

Instalment Policies stated at their commuted values. Outstanding Assurance \$1,116,875,047.00

New Assurance \$ 207,086,243.00

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. The Reserve as per the independent valuation of the N. Y. Insurance Department, is \$235,032,907. For Superintendent's certificate see Detailed Statement.

J. G. VAN CISE, Actuary.

R. G. HANN, Assistant Actuary.

We have examined the Accounts and Assets of the Society, and certify to the correctness of the foregoing statement. C. LEDYARD BLAIR. C. B. ALEXANDER. GEO. H. SQUIRE, WM, A. WHEELOCK. J. H. DUNHAM, Special Committee of the Board of Directors.

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J. F. de Navarro.
M. E. Ingalls.

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ler. Sldney D. Ripley.
To. V. P. Snyder.

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SIXTY-FOUR ENTOMBED MINERS NOT YET REACHED.

Expected Flames Will Be Extinguished Today-Financial Assistance for Distressed Families,

tional details continue to come from the Union mines on Vancouver Island, where noon. The accident has thrown the towns of Cumberland and Nanaimo into a state

The Canadian Pacific Railway Com. pany's steamer Tartar arrived at Van-couver this afternoon from the coaling station at Union, 12 miles from Cumber land. She brought two passengers, H. Raymond and George Bennett, both coal miners. Neither had any theory as to the cause of the explosion in No. 6 shaft, in which the accident occurred. They say the cause is not known, and that t will never be. When the Tartar left Union at 7 o'clock this morning the latest news from No. 6 shaft was that the flooding process was being continued. The fire was still burning, although not so fiercely as during the preceding 36 hours, The tremendous volume of water pouring into the mine from the continuous supply furnished by an eight-inch main was gradually performing the desired service, and by tomorrow it is confidently expect-ed that the fire will be extinguished. It will be several days, Raymond says, be-fore the bodies of the 64 entombed miners can be recovered, because after the fire has been completely put out it will be necessary to pump the water out of the mine before a rescuing party can hope to remove the corpses now lying at the bottom of the shaft.

Shortly before the Tartar sailed from Union this morning the steamer Joan ar-rived, having on board Premier James Dunsmuir, of the British Columbia Government, who is the principal owner of the Cumberland mines. After leaving Vancouver on the Joan, Saturday afterioon, Dunsmuir called at Nanaimo, He tarted from that place for Union last night, but a heavy sea swept the Gulf, and as the wind arose, a blinding snow storm made navigation difficult. The Joan was compelled to return to Nanaimo at midnight, making a fresh start for Union

before daybreak.

The families of the dead miners require financial assistance, which will be forthcoming from more than one source. Mayor of Vancouver has already steps to aid the bereaved families, and other cities are taking similar action. In the meantime, Premier Dunsmuir has ordered the storekeepers at Cumberland to give the distrased families what supplies

MAY BE REACHED TUESDAY. Present Indications Are Bodies Will Be Taken Out Then. VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 17 .- A special to he Associated Press from the

After the arrival of Premier Dunsmuir and party, shaft No. 5, which connects with No. 6, which, like that shaft, has been scaled, was opened and a big fan was started to drive a volume of air down and force back the gas and after-damp from No. 6. At 3:40 Manager Little, Inspector of Mines McGregor, Thomas Russell and a number of other mining engineers went down and were below about two hours. They reported on com-ing up at 5:30 P. M. that they had proceeded in some 800 or 900 feet or more, and that they had met a body of gas.

They were pleased with the progress made and some believe that they will be able to get through to No. 8 and take out the bodies tomorrow or Tuesday. No. 6 is flooded to a depth of 42 feet, this having been found sufficient to extin-guish the fire, for a party which went down in No. 5 shaft found no smoke or signs of fire. A heavy snow storm been prevailing here all day, in which the Premier and party have been exposed hour after hour superintending the

operations.

OFFICIAL LIST OF DEAD. Twenty Whites, Nine Japanese and Twenty-five Chinamen.

UNION B. C. Feb. 17.-The official list f dead is as follows: William Walker, aged 48, married; leaves

wife and four children. William Walker, 20 George Walker, 18; both sons, John Allison, 30. Robert Steele, single, 30.

Robert Fleck, 40, married, wife and six William Davis, 46, single James Halliday, 45, married, wife and family at Lethbridge, N. W. T. Duncan Munro, 40, married, leaves wife

and six children. John Whyte, 42, married, leaves wife and five children omas Lord, 33, single. William Snedren, 40, married, wife and family at Nanaimo; was going down into

to bury a dead child. Duncan McInnes, 50, widower George Turnbull, 22, married. James Crosetti, 35, married, wife and Turin, Italy. Charles Dona, 30, married, wife and

nine to get tools, to proceed to Nanaimo

family. Louis Simondi, 50, married. Peter Bardisonia, 35, married, wife and ive children. Anton Macfadio, 28, single,

The last five are Italians. In all 26 white men, nine Japanese and 35 Chinese were killed. Heavy Damage from Freshet.

THE DALLES, Feb. 17 .- Heavy dumage from the rain storm of Friday night is reported by settlers on Beaver Creek. Orchards, berry patches and gar-dens were overflowed, and in several in-stances washed away by the torrent Three thousand dollars will not the loss sustained by Sandoz Bros., Er-ickson, Kindt and Denton the principal

New Case of Smallpox.

sufferers. The damage far exceeds that

of a fortnight ago, which storm was un

THE DALLES, Or., Feb. 17 .- A second case of smallpox is reported here. The victim, Bert Soxen, has been lying ill five days in a house of ill fame on Court between First and Second streets. The doctors yesterday pronounced the disease smallpox. Owing to want of repairs on

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NINE PRISONERS IN SPOKANE COUNTY JAIL ESCAPE.

Officer Soon Gained Release and Gave Pursuit and Nearly Shot Citizen Who Ran From Him.

SPOKANE, Feb. 17 .- Arthur Spencer, of San Francisco, charged with impersonat-ing a United States officer; Joe Harrison, Luke McGluke, Mack McCleary, Philip Anderson and James Moriarity, States prisoners charged with counterfelting; Robert McAlpin, highway rob-bery; John Manning, burgiary, and Edward McGuire, crime against nature, overpowered Jailer Thompson in the Spekane County jail this morning and

are now at large. Thompson says he was seized from be hind by prisoners who were hiding behind a door, was beaten into insensibil-ity, robbed of keys and revolver and gagged to prevent an outery. jailer got loose he took a Winchester and went out to look for the escaped men. He spied a citizen who, frightened by the jailer's appearance, started to run, The jailer gave pursuit and began to shoot at the man, who finally was resued by a jury out for an airing. Posses have been sent out everywhere,

but not one of the jailbreakers has been sighted. Nine thousand bushels of wheat are being shipped this week at Latah by the Pacific Coast Elevator Company.

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