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urer of the City & Suburban Railway Com. pany, and Charles F. Adams, president of the Portland Gas Company, and secretary of the Security Savings & Trust Company. The members of the Port of Portland

Commission assembled leisurely yesterday afternoon, and there was considerable button-holing of commissioners from outside sources. As Chairman Hughes called the meeting of the members to order, he received a note, which he read, then ex-"There, I have received a sumclaimed: mons from a very prominent man." The draw. Broad culture, close application, a commission assented to his absence, and he returned saying: "Well, my mind's made up. I stand where I did yesterday. in favor of the appointment of Mr. Swigert and Mr. Adams."

He meditatively blew some smoke from a half-lighted cigar, and faced the Commission: "Well, gentleman, as Mr. Ban. field prophesied, we have received some news since yesterday. There, read that," and he dramatically handed over a telegram. It was as follows:

Del Monte, Cal., Murch 5 .- Amistant Secretary E. T. C. Stavens; I beg to advise I de-cline to serve as a member of the Port of Portland Commission, CHAS, E. LADD.

The mystery of Monday's meeting had been Commisisoner Banfield's fight for withhold. postponing permanent organization, on the ground that he had inside information that something was going to happen in 24 hours. His mysterious air had aroused the curiosity of the Commission. What was going to happen? Banfield refused to mnswer.

When the telegram was read yesterday Banfield wore a mild I-told-you-so look, and business world gives certain subtle while the other Commissioners looked requalities to American life not found where the influence of women is less generally and definitely exerted. It seemed to me

"You were right, Mr. Banfield. Some. thing did happen," said Mr. McCraken, "That it did, Mr. Banfield," chimed in

Commissioner Relly, "And we didn't lose anything by the de-

lay," said Banfield, pleased at the con-gratulations and recovering sufficiently to relight a half-smoked cigar.

"We're now ready for business." "And that business is the election of new Commissioners," wedged in Chairman Hughes, "I was perfectly frank at the last meeting in stating that I had con-ferred with prominent citizens, and that they recommended Messrs. Swigert and keeps apace with the times. Adams. 1 feel grateful to those gentle-men for saving the bill, and I believe the of Portland but take a leaf from the exappointments will be excellent, and so regarded by the public." "I'm with you," chimed in Relity.

"I second the nominations," said Mr. McCraken, nodding his head appreciative-

y. "They are excellent men." Messars. Selling and Banfield approved, ly. "They are excellent men." Mossars. Selling and Banfield approved, and a motion was made closing the nomi-nations. Selling, however, insisted that the vote should be by ballot, even if the board was unanimous, because it might board was unanimous, because it might set up a bad precedent.

"Every member should have the privil-ege of voting by ballot, and voting no if he wants to," said Selling. On the sure that a man with red hair gave him the maniant Anaconda, Mont.

he wants to," said Seiling. On the vote both Swigert and Adams re-ceived five affirmative battots, and were

declared elected. An effort was made to secure the new members and to proceed with the perma-in the Walla Walla penitentlary for burgnent organization. Assistant Secretary Stevens telephoned for the two. Mr. Swi. gert was found to be in Senttle. stevens temperature to be in Seattle. "Now, isn't that too bad," said Mr. Stev-individual mentioned in this case was a

All five assented.

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an agreement was entered into between using the threadworn woman's incapacity and general want of by which Frank and Spence were to sell business ability, but if The Oregonian's estimate of the lady be faithful, Portland goods for the firm in Dawson under the name of Spence & Co., and Frank was to need have little fear of disaster to share in the profits, but there was noth-School Department in the event of Mrs. ing said about the losses. This arrange-Sitton's election. San Francisco's Board of Education is presided over by a lady, and it is doubtful if a more capable executive has ever occupied the position. True, not many women are equal to the responsibility involved in the office, but every city has at least a few from which to fair knowledge of human nature, some terests of the department are the only requisites necessary, and in this age of advance, where woman is treading upon the heels of man in almost every con celvable vocation, it is not surprising that many should be found possessing these qualities. Besides, there is no position more suitable to the talents of a bright woman of affairs than that involved in the management of the School Department. There she comes in contact with those of her sex, and in numerous ways she is enabled to extend a helping hand and a word of sympathy, which her male

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usurping man's place in the world. I have

come to think it does not much matter if

she does. I believe in the survival of the

Convicted of Larceny.

ment, the court held, constituted Frank a partner, and, therefore, according to the laws of this state, he was not guilty of embezzlement, and, therefore, could not be extradicted. The decision was a lengthy one, containing quotations from the testimony taken in the case, and entering into the

law relative to extradition cases. Counsel for defendant questioned the authority of the agent claiming to represent the Provincial Government, and alleged that defendant had an interest as a partner in the funds which he was charged with having embezzled. The salient points in Judge Bellinger's decision were:

"I am satisfied that the authority of the agent of the Provincial Government of British Columbia is sufficient to warrant the extradition of the defendant, if the evidence, under the laws of this state, can be deemed sufficient to sustain the

charge. There is room for question, under the facts, as to the jurisdiction on associates are frequently too prone to which the alleged conversion took place, but as to this, I am of the opinion that "The gifted American woman has come the failure to turn over the money to Lenz & Leiser at the City of Victoria, to be recognized as a force in husiness and professional affairs in all lands. Not within a reasonable time after his relong ago Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese Minturn from Dawson, is sufficient to war-rant an inference of conversion by the ister, made this observation: 'No foreign-er in America fails to be impressed with the importance of the role women play in this country. Their activity in the social

The firm of Lenz & Leiser seems to have had considerable doubt upon this question, if not upon that of partnership, inasmuch as the proceedings were not instituted until a period of six months had elapsed from the time when the de-fendant arrived in Victoria, during one month of which time the defendant Frank was in and about the City of Victoria and in the place of business of Lenz & Leiser. It appears that during this time the defendant endeavored to have what

fittest. Success, surely, is the only test of fitness. Let the women go on, then; attorneys call a settlement of the his let them go as far as they can. Those particular matters in question, and emwho are unfit for the race will fall by ployed attorneys to that end; and that the firm, on its part consulted attorneys, the wayside, and only the truly fit can whose advice seems to have left the mat-"That is a high tribute to our woman ter of the defendant's criminality one of hood, and shows that Wu Ting Fang doubt.

Success is "The material question to be considsurely the test of fitness, and if the voters ered is, Are the facts in the case sufficient to sustain the charge made? The perience of other citles, they will have treaty provides that the evidence of crim-inality must be shown according to the no hesitation in placing Mrs, Sitton ahead laws of the place where the fugitive so charged shall be found. It is conceded

that in this state, upon the principle of common law, the general rule is, that the ownership of the property alleged to have been embezzled must not be in the accused, either in whole or in part, and that if the defendant was a partner in

derived, he cannot be held for embezzlement. Judge. Bellinger then referred to the testimony of S. G. Spence, of the firm of Spence & Co. He testified that an agree-ment was entered into between Lenz & myth. The jury was out but a few mingoods, but nothing was said about what would happen if the firm lost money,

although he understood that the loss

compensation is to be paid in profits, a Lenz & Leiser, S. G. Spense and Frank different rule obtains. In such case, the party acquires an interest in the profits 60

"It clearly appears that the defendant had an interest in the business of Spence & Company at Dawson. It was not a case of compensation on a basis of profit-shar ing, but one of community interest in the profits of the business; and it was moreover a case of parnership, although it is not material that the technical relation of a partnership be shown, so long as an

interest is shown in the fund which is the subject of the alleged embezzlement. "The fact that Frank did not put money

into the firm of Spence & Company, or that the arrangement under which he be came connected with the firm differed from the arrangement under which a man named Guttman had formerly entered, signifies nothing more than a possible difference, not in the relation of the two individuals to the firm, but in their respective interests in it.

"The agreement made with Frank was or one-half of the profits of the husiness of Spence & Company. That is admitted by the partles to the arrangement. Having that interest in the fund in his hands, he could not under the laws of Oregon be guilty of embeazing the fund. His inter-

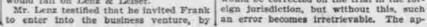
est was not postponed until the end of the season. It was a present interest that would continue until an accounting and a settlement was had. The question of losses makes no difference. It seems to be conceded that if Frank was to share defendant of the funds in his keeping. In the losses of the business, as well as the profits, he would be a partner. Now, it is elementary that, except in cases specially provided by statute, an agreement to share profils, nothing being said about losses, amounts prima facie to an agree-ment to share losses also. Here there was an agreement to share profits, nothing being said about losses; and this establishes a partnership.

"It is plain for the testimony that the parties went 'in together' for the season; that Lenz and Leiser and Spence arranged to go in with Frank; that Frank was to have half the profits; that losses were not mentioned or considered. All of these terms are those common to a joint venture, and to nothing else, much less to a mere hiring. So, too, of the conduct of

Spence in explaining the partnership name of the year before, and suggesting that they would leave it as before-conduct not likely to accompany a case of hiring, but such as might be expected in a case of joint venture. "If the case were doubtful, I should hes-

itate to refuse the necessary certificates entailing the authorities of British Columbin to the acquisition they apply for. In such a case some deference might properly be given to the opinion of the au thorities of that province. But the case admits of no doubt; and it is moreover pecullar in the circumstances that the law of embezzlement differs essentially in Brit-

ish Columbia from what it does in Ore-Mr. Martin, who appears for the gon. province, and is learned in its laws, testifies in that jurisdiction, a partner may be convicted of embezzling the funds of his firm; so that, upon the facts so far appearing, the defendant would be liable to a conviction in the foreign country, although not gullty under the laws of this state, by whose laws his criminality must be tested on extradition. If the law of the crime charged was the same in both jurisdictions an erroneous interpretation against the defendant of the law here would fail on Lenz & Leiser. Mr. Lenz testified that he invited Frank would be corrected on the trial in the for-eign jurisdiction, but without this, such





dition clause of the treaty with Great of 25528. Britain is denied, and the prisoner is dis-Cleland to determine the ownership of the charged from arrest."

## Decisions Today.

Decisions will be announced by Judge Sears this morning in the following cases: Duntley, Administrator, vs. Inman, ulsen & Co., motion to strike out parts of amended complaint. Benson vs. Standard Box Factory, mo-

tion for a new trial. Wemme vs. Knight et al., motion for rehearing.

North vs. Billings, motion to strike out arts of amended writ. Judge Frazer will decide the follow-

ng cases this morning: Clarke vs. Portland Ment Company, on motion to quash writ of review. Leve & Adler vs. Sheriff, motion for a new trial,

Selbert, deceased, valued at \$000.

ONE NIGHT ONLY

Curtain at 5:20

Selbert, deceased, valued at \$000. D. W. Wakefield, administrator of the estate of John N. Perlot, deceased, was uthorized by the County Court yester- Frank A. Nichols are named as executors

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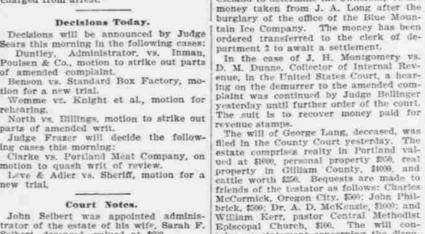
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covered in a pawn shop, where Hoyt sold the business from which the fund was

Leiser, the wilness and defendant Frank by which Frank was to share in the profits, although the firm was to be continued under the name of Spence & Co. He testified that when Frank left Dawson he gave him this money to carry to Lenz & Leiser. The witness also testified that Frank had authority to sell