TRIAL OF ASSASSIN

James Green, Self-Confessed Hood River Murderer.

ENTERED PLEA OF NOT GUILTY

A New Confession With Other Testimony Makes His Case Dark—Lawyers Will Probably Contend Act Was Caused by Intoxication.

STEVENSON, Wash., April 11.—By today's testimony, the lines were drawn tight about James G. Green, the self-confessed murderer of E. V. Benjamin, at Underwood's Landing, last month. Green this morning, without a break and without emotion, faced Superior Judge Miller and entered a plea of not guilty.

The sensation of the day was the testimony of Mrs. A. J. Haynes, which brought to light the fact of another confession by Green, which had been previously rumored. A pathetic incident of the day's proceedings was the pitious weeping of Mrs. Benjamin, who was present, clad in deep mourning, and who could not restrain her sorrow while Prosecuting Attorney Moore described to the jury, in his opening statement, the details of her husband's brutal murder.

Confession by Green.

Mrs. Haynes, a frail, delicate woman, arose from a sick bed to give the following startling testimony:

"The night of the murder Green came to our house, which is over a mile from Wendorf's, where the dance and murder occurred. He went away at 11. Between 1 and 2 o'clock he returned and called at the door for Jim, my husband, who, as Justice of the Peace, had been called to Wendorf's Landing. I answered that Jim had gone there, and that Benjamin had been shot.

"Green said: 'I want to speak to you; come to the door; I won't hurt you.'

"I opened the door and saw him leaning on his gun. I said: 'I supposed you were home in bed long ago. They suspect you of this.' He asked me whether the man was dead. I told him I did not know; that Constable Woods had only said he was shot.

"'Well,' he said, 'I done it.' His voice was thick, and I was trembling. I said whatever comes don't let anything happen to Jim. He (Green) kept on, and said: 'Don't say anything about it, if you can help it. If you have to, all right.'

"I asked him how he happened to know there was a dance at Underwood's Landing. He said, 'I didn't. I started for the camp and passed Wendorf's house. I saw Benjamin sitting in there with Nellie Brown having a good time, and I shot him through the back.'

"He gave me his hand, cold as ice, and said, 'You and Jim, anyway, have my best regards.' I have never seen him since."

Said He Would Kill Benjamin.

Mrs. Nellie Brown was also a damaging witness. She described the scene at the midnight supper, the gaiety and the jollity, followed with consternation after the shot was fired through the window, filling the room with smoke and covering the party with glass. She cried out, "What will happen to me next," blew out the light and crouched in a corner to avoid the next shot she expected.

"I suspected Green of the murder," she testified, "because he had often threatened his life as well as mine. Green had said to me: 'Benjamin has been talking about me and no man can do that and get away. I will kill him.' After your engagement was broken he said: 'I have nothing to live for now; I will kill myself, but some one will go first.' He attempted to strike me with a slung shot once, and made repeated threats when crazed with liquor."

"Liquor always crazed him, did it not?" asked Attorney McCredie for the defense, giving an inkling to the tactics the defense intended to pursue to clear Green, to urge that he did the deed while crazed with liquor.

The answer came, "Yes."

The strongest point in Green's favor is the evidence contained in her testimony that Green was under influence of liquor and committed the deed in a moment of passion.

On cross-examination the defense endeavored to bring out the relations existing between Benjamin and Mrs. Brown.

The witness said: "I had known Mr. Benjamin for nine years; since I was a little girl. He had always been our friend."

"Did not Green, during your engagement to him, ask you not to receive attentions from Benjamin?" was asked.

"Yes, and I told him I was receiving none and would not. I never went anywhere with Mr. Benjamin.

"Quite a number of people told lies about us to Green and he believed them. I never gave Green the slightest grounds for jealousy. Mr. Benjamin and I were simply old acquaintances. Green held Benjamin responsible for the break in our engagement because he said Benjamin had talked about him."

As to her statement that Green had threatened Benjamin's life repeatedly, Mrs. Brown was unshaken.

The other witnesses, William Wendorf, the bachelor giving the dance; Mrs. Olson and William Jones, guests, confirmed Mrs. Brown's account of the murder, and A. J. Haynes, Justice of the Peace, corroborated points of his wife's testimony. Haynes caused the only ripple during the trial.

"What time did Green leave your house?" asked McCredie.

"Eleven o'clock," he answered.

"Wasn't it nearer 12?" was the next question, leading toward a claim that Green could not have arrived in time to commit the deed.

"No; I am certain it was 11. I was sitting there hoping Green would go and keeping my eye on the clock."

Only Once Did Green Show Emotion.

Green all the while was stolid, his face unchanging. Only once did he show emotion, and that was by shaking his head at points of Mrs. Brown's testimony.

Great care was taken in the choice of the jury by the state to accept no juror that held a prejudice against capital punishment; by the defense to get jurors that would grant the defendant the benefit of a reasonable doubt. The jury, as sworn, was made up as follows: Dempsey Taylor and Sam Richards, of Stevenson; Henry Greer, of Sprague; William Thurston, Jr., Frank Reid and Olaf Sholin, of Wind River; E. Barasco, S. C. Horton and John Wierbicki, of Cape Horn; C. D. Walker, of Marr's Landing; Henry Mesger, of Carson; Halvor Berge, of Home Valley.

The morning session was opened before Superior Judge A. L. Miller and a crowded courtroom of people. The first step of Green's attorneys, W. W. McCredie and E. M. Rands, was to move for a change of venue. This they argued was due Green as a matter of justice, since local feeling and prejudice against him made it impossible for him to secure a fair and impartial trial. They asked that the case be tried in another county. For the prosecution C. H. Moor introduced affidavits to the effect that there existed no local prejudice against Green sufficient to prevent his securing a fair and impartial hearing before a jury. Judge Miller denied the motion.

The defense then moved for a stay in the proceedings on the ground that it had insufficient time in which to gather evidence, and was unprepared to proceed with the case. Judge Miller took this under advisement and adjourned the court until 1 P. M.

Judge Miller, at 1 o'clock denied the motion to stay the proceedings two weeks. He offered to grant a delay of one week, which the defense refused. The case was continued until 8:30 tomorrow morning.

CHASE AFTER ALLEGED THIEVES.

Officer Joined by About Twenty Men—One of Suspects Caught.

ALBANY, Or., April 11.—Four horses were stolen at Sweet Home Monday, three from Jesse Moss and one from Jesse South. There was evidence that the theft had been committed by Frank Shaw and Thurston Pettyjohn, and warrants were at once issued for their arrest, and placed in the hands of Deputy Sheriff Fred McHargue. With Jerry Keeney, who is familiar with the county, he started after the men. Yesterday twenty or twenty-five other men turned out with winchesters in the chase after the suspected thieves, who had fled to the woods. Last night McHargue and Keeney came upon the suspects between Holley and Sweet Home, where Keeney met them in the brush. They refused to surrender, and Keeney began firing. Pettyjohn escaped without a scratch, but Shaw was hit in the face just as he raised his own revolver. He also fled, but was followed and through the assistance of two young women was located, when he gave himself up, and was brought to Albany this forenoon and placed in the county jail. Pettyjohn has not been captured. He has been a resident of the Sweet Home country for a good many years, and is considered desperate. Shaw came from Idaho two years ago. There have been a number of thefts of horses and cattle around Sweet Home, and the people there are thoroughly aroused.

Alleged Defaulter Would Return.

MYRTLE CREEK, April 11.—E. B. Jennings, late of Medford, an alleged defaulter, has written Willis Kramer, of this place, the man said to have suffered loss through him, asking the loan of enough money to return to Oregon. A warrant was issued for his arrest, but Jennings had previously left the state. He is said to have misappropriated $250 given him by Kramer to buy a carload of wheat. Jennings wrote from Paris, Ia. It was generally thought he went to Alaska.

Arrested for Illegal Fishing.

ASTORIA, April 11.—Word was received today by Master Fish Warden Van Dusen from Water Bailiff Wickman, stating that he had arrested a fisherman named Eric Saelin, near Maygers, and had taken him to Rainier. The man was caught drifting with a gillnet. A charge of fishing during the closed season was placed against him. He was released on $100 bail to appear for trial, which will take place in a few days.

WINNERS IN SEATTLE DOG SHOW.

Two Portland Pointers Capture First Prizes.

SEATTLE, April 11.—The judging in all of the larger classes, and many of the smaller ones, of animals entered in the sixth annual dog show of the Seattle Kennel Club was completed tonight. The competition was exceptionally keen in collies, cockers, terriers and English setters. The latter class brought out the strongest entry ever made west of Chicago, with 49 competitors. The first prize went to Charles W. Miner's Roy Montez, a Victoria dog, and second to Thomas Howe's Montez, an animal well known to the Oregon fanciers by virtue of his many victories in previous years. Stimson's Count Dick, the setter that has heretofore swept all before him, went down to V. H. C. place in the competition in the free-for-all open class. Following are the winners so far in the principal classes:

Tri-colored collies, dog puppies—First, George Tinto's Seattle Bob; second, Dr. Hamilton Allen's Rob Roy. Limit dogs—First, George Tinto's Seattle Bob; second, Dr. Allen's Rob Roy. Open dogs—First, Glenora. Winners' dogs—First, Dr. A. J. McIntosh's Glenora.

Tri-color collies, first puppy—George Tinto's Seattle Rover; local dogs, same owner, Seattle Rover; limit dog, first, Sanford Fly's Rob Roy. Open dogs—First, S. H. Vincent's Captain Glenalpin; second, M. M. Bruce's Glenalpin. Open bitches—First, George Tinto's Seattle Betty. Winners' bitches—Same owner's Seattle Betty.

Pointers under 55 pounds, limit dogs—W. W. Peaslee's (Portland) Printer's Ned. Open dogs—Same owner's Printer's Ned. Open dogs, 55 pounds and over—First, J. A. Talyor's (Portland) Bright. Winners' dogs—Peaslee's Printer's Ned. Reserve—Taylor's Bright.

English setters, dog puppies—First, R. M. Palmer's Mary Hunter; second, C. B. Yandell's Ringling. Local dogs—First, Palmer's Dashing Fleet; second, Yandell's Laddie Gladstone; third; Atkins' Lorenzo; reserve, E. A. Reece's (Portland) Seco R. Open dogs—First, C. W. Miner's Roy Montez; second, Oregon Training Kennel's Monte H.; third, Henry L. O'Brien's Victor L.; reserve, E. A. Reece's Seco R.

Open bitches—First, L. H. Rogers' Queen's Beauty; W. A. Jones' Luella Montburn. Winners' bitches—First, Rogers' Queen's Beauty; reserve, A. H. Nelson's Sport's Destiny.

NEW OFFICER AT VANCOUVER.

Major Sidney W. Taylor Appointed Adjutant-General.

VANCOUVER BARRACKS, Wash., April 11.—Major S. W. Taylor, formerly a Captain of the Fourth Artillery, has been appointed Adjutant-General of the Department of the Columbia, relieving Colonel W. V. Richards, who has been promoted to the Lieutenant-Colonelcy of the Seventh Infantry.

Captain Charles McClure, who was stationed here several years ago as Judge-Advocate of this department, has been promoted to be Major of the Fourteenth Infantry. Major McClure has been on duty in the Judge-Advocate office at Washington for several months.

First Lieutenants Elmer W. Clark and Ora E. Hunt have been promoted to Captaincies in the Eighteenth Infantry.

Lieutenant Robert S. Offley, who is stationed in Alaska, has been assigned to the Captaincy of the Thirtieth Infantry, which is being organized at Fort Logan, Colorado.

Captain Clough Overton has been assigned to the Fourteenth Cavalry and will join his troop at Fort Leavenworth.

Lieutenant Pierce A. Murphy has been relieved from recruiting duty at Scranton, Pa., and will report to Major Ammon A. Auger, recruiting officer at Boston, Mass., for duty, relieving Lieutenant Oliver S. Eskridge.

It is expected that Captain Frank F. Eastman will be ordered here from Manila to help recruit the Fourteenth Infantry. He served with the Fourteenth as Second and First Lieutenant and Captain from the time he entered the Army from West Point in 1879 until the present year, when he received his promotion to Major of the Twenty-eighth.

The order assigning Dr. Edward B. Mosely to Fort Sheridan has been revoked. Instead Dr. Mosely will go to Denver as chief surgeon of the Department of Colorado.

Good Immigration to Myrtle Creek.

MYRTLE CREEK, April 11.—About 50 immigrants from Southern Illinois have settled here in the past six months, and more are coming. Two families arrived yesterday from the same section, and will buy farms.

Location of Postoffice Changed.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The postoffice at Juniper, Umatilla County, Or., has been moved two and one-half miles to the northwest, and Frederick A. Gordon appointed postmaster.

Teachers' Examination at Salem.

SALEM, April 11.—The quarterly teachers' examination began at the Courthouse yesterday, with 82 candidates present. This is an unusually large number.

WILL AID SUPREME COURT

JOINT SESSIONS OF MULTNOMAH CIRCUIT JUDGES.

Saving of Time in Writing Decisions and Fewer Appealed Cases Probable.

SALEM, April 11.—The members of the Supreme Court are of the opinion that under the recent act of the Legislature authorizing the Circuit Judges in Multnomah County to sit in joint session, the work of the Supreme Court will be greatly lessened. It has been suggested that when the Circuit Judges sit in banc to try questions of law, and an opinion is written upon the case, the Supreme Court, if it should affirm the decision of the lower court, could adopt the opinion filed and thus save considerable work. When asked in regard to their views on the matter, the judges were united in commending it, and said that the new procedure may help the Supreme Court in several ways.

In the first place, when a case has been tried in the lower court by the judges sitting in joint session, their decision is more likely to be correct than the decision of one judge, and the attorneys will undoubtedly be better satisfied with it. This should diminish the number of appealed cases, about one-half of which come from Multnomah County.

In cases involving only questions of law, such as the recent County Commissioners' suit and all cases coming up on demurrer, where the question presented in the Supreme Court is exactly the same as that upon which the case was decided in the lower court, it will be of great assistance to the Supreme Courrt, if the judges sit in banc and file a carefully prepared opinion with their decision. When such a case is tried in the Supreme Court, the latter tribunal could, if it concurred in the opinion written below, simply say: "The decision is affirmed for the reasons stated in the opinion of the lower court," etc.

While the opinion written by the lower court will not relieve the Supreme Court Judges of the work of studying the cases, it will save them the time necessary for the preparation of an opinion and, perhaps, even in cases in which the Supreme Court did not entirely agree with the lower court the opinion on file might be of and in writing the opinion on the case.

In cases involving questions of fact, during the trial of which questions of law frequently arise, one judge might try the case, and pass upon the various questions as they come up, and then all the judges review the questions in the hearing of the motion for a new trial. In this way all the questions which will be presented before the Supreme Court will be brought out in the lower court, except, perhaps, the questions of jurisdiction or sufficiency of the pleadings on general demurrer, which questions may be raised at any time. If a jury case should be reviewed by the judges in banc, on the motion for a new trial, the opinion they might render, would be of as great assistance to the Supreme Court as an opinion in a case which was tried in the first example upon questions of law only.

In order to have the questions presented in both courts in exactly the same form, it will probably be necessary to require that the formal bill of exceptions be prepared before the judges, in joint session, hear the argument on the motion for a new trial. Opinions of the lower court will also be valuable in equity cases, which are tried anew in the Supreme Court upon both the law and evidence. Of course the assistance given the Supreme Court by opinions filed by the Circuit Judges will depend largely upon the care with which they are prepared, for if the opinions contain any reasons for the decision in which the Supreme Court could not concur, the opinion could not be adopted in its entirety. Whatever course the Supreme Court may pursue, will not be in pursuance of a rule of that tribunal, for the judges do not think it advisable to lay down any set rule for their government in such a matter. They will remain at liberty to adopt the opinions of the lower court or to entirely disregard them in the consideration of the case. In any event, an appellant will have as thorough and as fair a hearing in the Supreme Court as he will have if the judges of the court below file no written opinion.

It would, therefore, appear that should the Circuit Judges in Multnomah County adopt the custom of filing written opinions, they will greatly aid the Supreme Court in catching up with the vast amount of work before it, and thus earn the gratitude of litigants and attorneys generally.

In speaking of the matter today the Justices of the Supreme Court expressed the highest regard for the judicial ability of the gentlemen on the Circuit bench in Multnomah County. Circuit Judges render a great proportion of their decisions without having any time to study the questions involved, but if the judges try the cases or review them in banc they will most certainly render decisions more satisfactory to themselves and to litigants.

Mexico's War With the Yaquis

Illustrated article in The Sunday Oregonian, April 14.

Order from your carrier or newsdealer in advance.

BASEBALL AT PENDLETON.

Club Formed and Signing of Players Will Proceed Promptly.

PENDLETON, Or., April 11.—Good baseball is promised for Pendleton this summer. A meeting attended by a number of substantial business men elected a board of directors composed of Lee Teutsch, George Hartman, Jr., H. J. Stillman, R. W. Fletcher and M. A. Rader. Mr. Stillman has been chosen president and George Hartman, Jr., secretary. A manager will be selected during the next few days, and the signing of players will proceed promptly. Games are to be played with Walla Walla, Athena and Whitman College.

Reward for Bicycle Thieves.

Pendleton bicyclists have raised $50 to be used in prosecuting anyone who steals or disfigures wheels in this town. In the event the money is not needed for that purpose, it is to be devoted to the building of paths.

Nearly Lost His Hand.

Charles F. Colesworthy, a local millman, caught his hand in some rollers yesterday and nearly suffered loss of his right hand. The middle finger was split down the back to the bone, and otherwise terribly lacerated.

LA GRANDE DISTRICT FAIR.

Will Commence October 1 and Continue Five Days.

LA GRANDE, Or., April 11.—A district fair will be held at La Grande October 1-5. The board of directors of the Grand Ronde Valley Agricultural Association met here yesterday and decided this matter. The dates fixed correspond closely to those of the fairs at The Dalles and North Yakima, but as all conflict could not be avoided, it was thought that these would offer the least competition, since they are to a large extent local meets.

The board took steps toward repairing the fences and building, improving the track and other preliminary work. Before definite arrrangements can be made, however, it will be necessary to consult with the board appointed by the commissioner of the First District Agricultural Association of Eastern Oregon, and to that end the president will confer with the president of that commission. The commission is made up as follows: George E. Bell, president, of Baker County; J. J. Cozort, of Grant County; L. J. Rouse, of Wallowa County; C. W. Wells, of Malheur County. The board appointed by these men will act with the Grand Ronde board. It will be their duty to elect officers to carry on the fair.

WOOL IS OF FINE QUALITY.

Clip Now Being Made in Umatilla County—Market Is Stagnant.

PENDLETON, Or., April 11.—The 1900 wool clip is conceded by all buyers to be of unusually good quality. The wool market remains stagnant, offers being few, and prices not coming up to figures paid a year ago. Wool continues to pour into Pendleton, and the warehouses will soon contain immense quantities of the new clip.

Heavy Increase of Lambs.

The increase of lambs is reported extremely high. John W. Ray, of Gurdane, who was here Wednesday, says he visited the camps of William Gullifird and Frank Chapman, south of Pendleton, and both were securing an increase of 140 per cent of lambs to ewes.

Grass Making Slow Growth.

Livestock men complain of the slowness of the growth of the grass, saying that the spring is fully one month behind that of 1900.

Move to Get a Creamery.

GERVAIS, Or., April 11.—An enthusiastic meeting was held at Fairfield, Saturday, to consider the advisability of founding a creamery there. An organization was effected by the election of George Miller, chairman, and F. R. DuRetle, secretary. A site was donated and accepted and committees appointed to solicit subscriptions and to obtain figures on equipments. Another meeting is called for next Saturday, April 13.

Much Land Reclaimed for Farming.

McMINNVILLE, April 11.—At no time in the history of Yamhill County has there been so much draining of lands as during the past Winter. The several tile factories in the county have been taxed to their fullest capacity and are behind with orders. The result is that much low white land, which a few years ago was considered worthless, will become as productive as any in the Valley.

Crops About Gervais.

GERVAIS, Or., April 11.—In many localities hops are ready for training, while in others they are not so forward. All hopgrowers pronounce the outlook for a good crop as highly favorable.

Fruit trees are filling rapidly with foliage and blossom.

Grain is brightening up considerably and is stooling splendidly and there will be fully an average crop.

Peaches Injured by Frost.

GRANT'S PASS, April 10.—The fruit outlook for Josephine County continues good. Peaches have been injured to some extent by the severe frosts which prevailed the fore part of this week, but enough are left for a good crop. Prunes, pears, apples, cherries and plums were not injured. Strawberries suffered most, and will be late on this account.

THE NEW BICYCLE LAW.

A Question Whether It Applies to Paths Not Along County Roads.

OREGON CITY, April 11.—It has come to be the general opinion that the new bicycle law is only operative where bicycle paths are along county roads. In Multnomah County it happens that the paths are along the roads. In Clackamas County the paths have devious windings and only occasionally do they even cross a county road, much less continue along them.

The original idea of the law seems to have been to force the different counties to maintain the paths by levying a tax on bicycles. If the bicycle tax failed to keep the paths in repair, the road tax could be drawn upon. Most everybody who has taken the pains to examine the law has come to the conclusion that it was a shrewd move to throw the responsibility of maintaining the paths upon the county. While it applies to any county where the paths are along the county roads, it fails to apply in every instance where the paths leave the public highway.

Clackamas County has up to the present time collected a bicycle tax on exactly eight bicycles this season. Last year a tax was paid upon 1250 wheels. Sheriff Cook says he cannot leave his office to camp along the bicycle paths. He declares he is ready to receive the tax and issue an official tag, but that he does not think he is justified in putting the county to any expense. W. W. Bretherton, land agent for the Oregon & California Railroad Company, is the actual father of the new bicycle law. He admits that the law can scarcely be considered applicable to bicycle paths unless they are along and upon county roads. Mr. Bretherton says:

"I am afraid the law does not reach these sylvan paths that follow the Indian trails. Of course the law applies to Multnomah County and to every path that is upon a county road. The idea was to have a footpath for bicycles and pedestrians and to have it maintained."

Bicycle Path Supervisors.

The County Commissioners have appointed W. A. Huntley, C. H. Dye and J. F. Clark a board of bicycle path supervisors. This board will have charge of all bicycle paths in Clackamas County, and direct the improvements and expenditures therefor. It is expected that the owners of all wheels will pay the tax promptly, as the money collected in each district will be expended in that territory. Owners of wheels express satisfaction that they are not required to pay an extra 25 cents this year for tags, and neither the Sheriff nor Board of Supervisors will receive pay for their services out of the wheel fund. The Board of County Commissioners has not yet directed the Sheriff to enforce collection of the tax, but it is believed that the wheelmen in each district will take especial pride in assisting to build and repair paths. Repair work has already begun on some of the paths, and new ones will be built wherever the money collected will justify the expenditure.

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

Seven Pupils of Baker City Schools Will Compete for Gold Medal.

BAKER CITY, April 11.—Great interest centers in the oratorical contest which will take place at the Opera-House. Hon. C. A. Johns, of the school board, has offered a gold medal for the best oration. Seven pupils will contest, two of them being young ladies. The judges of the contest will be prominent citizens of Union County.

Will Observe Arbor Day.

Arbor Day—tomorrrow—will be observed with marked enthusiasm here. A striking feature of the programme will be a parade by 1200 school children, to be followed by flag drill. The school children will plant over 100 shade trees.

New Officers Washington A. O. U. W.

SPOKANE, April 11.—The A. O. U. W. Lodge today elected O. S. Jones, of Seattle, past grand master workman; W. E. Russell, of Waitsburg, grand master workman; H. R. Cox, of Tacoma, grand master foreman; W. S. Wright, of Spokane, grand master overseer; J. H. Hemer, of Seattle, grand recorder; F. M. Mead, of Puyallup, grand receiver; C. H. Pridham, of Olympia, grand outside watchman; G. W. Race, of Tacoma, F. M. Spain, of North Yakima, and Oliver Hall, of Colfax, supreme lodge representatives. Everett will be the next place of meeting.

Committed to the Asylum.

SALEM, April 12.—Mrs. Emma Charlesworth, aged 54, of Silverton, was committed to the asylum today, after an examination before Justice of the Peace O'Donald.

MARTIAL LAW ABOLISHED

GOVERNOR OF IDAHO ISSUES A PROCLAMATION.

Visited Shoshone County, and Finds Rule Not Necessary—In Force Nearly Two Years.

BOISE, Idaho, April 11.—Governor Hunt today issued a proclamation abolishing martial law in Shoshone County. He recites the circumstances under which martial law was proclaimed there, and sets forth that he has recently made a personal investigation, and found the country prosperous and peaceful.

"Martial law," he said, "is the spirit of force, necessary in its employment to protect life and property, and applicable at any time for that purpose. Its operation in time of peace, after danger and peril are over, is repugnant to our form of government and a menace to our institutions. Our legislation safely places the administration of the law in the hands of the civil authorities, there to remain during their ability to maintain it."

Martial law was proclaimed May 4, 1899, following the riots of April 29. For a long time it has existed in form only, the administration of affairs being entirely in the hands of the ordinary county authorities.

WILL MEET NEXT WEEK IN SALEM

Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions Programme.

SALEM, Or., April 11.—The Woman's North Pacific Presbyterian Board of Missions will convene in this city in annual session next Wednesday. The session will last two days. A reception will be held Tuesday evening for the purpose of welcoming strangers. It is expected that not less than 100 delegates will be present, but the local mission workers will provide for all who shall come.

The meetings will be presided over by Mrs. W. S. Ladd, of Portland, president of the board. Mrs. H. C. Campbell, of Portland, is recording secretary; Mrs. E. P. Mossman, treasurer, and Hon. W. B. Gilbert, auditor. In Oregon and Washington 96 auxiliaries have been organized under the auspices of the North Pacific board, having a total membership of 1466. The board supports missionaries wherever the work seems to be most needed, and at present has the following in the field:

Mrs. J. W. Doughty, Hiroshima, Japan; Miss Ellen Strong, Seoul, Corea; Rev. H. M. Andrews, Woodstock, India; Dr. Maud E. Allen, Ambala, India; Dr. Eliza Leonard, Pekin, China; Miss Helen Clark, Neah Bay, Washington; Miss Irene Griffith, Marshall, N. C.; Mrs. W. S. Holt, Portland, Or. The following missionaries will be present at this year's meeting: Miss Helen Clark, who is working among the Neah Bay Indians; Mrs. H. C. Thomson, returned from Japan; Mrs. William McClure, returned from China; Rev. M. D. McClelland, returned from Alaska.

The executive committee has prepared the following programme:

Tuesday Evening.

7:30—Informal reception.

Wednesday Morning.

Hymn 643.
9:30—Devotional services, Miss Helen Clark, Neah Bay, Wash.
10:00—Meeting called to order by President Mrs. W. S. Ladd, Portland.
Welcome—Mrs. H. A. Ketchum, Salem.
Response—Mrs. Ladd.
Minutes of the 12th annual meeting and report of the year, Mrs. H. C. Campbell, Portland.
Reports—Band secretary, Mrs. H. N. Scott, Portland; foreign corresponding secretary, Mrs. James G. Wilson, Portland; box secretary, Mrs. Walter J. Honeyman, Portland; treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Mossman, Portland.
Appointment of committees.
Prayer.
Hymn 666.
12:00—Luncheon.
Social hour.

Wednesday Afternoon

Hymn 87.
1:30—Scripture reading and prayer, Mrs. C. A. Park, Salem.
1:45—Address, "Some of the Features of the Work in Japan," Mrs. H. C. Thomson, Union.
Hymn 646.
2:30—"Relation of Our Board to the Temperance Work," Mrs. J. N. Mulligan, Portland.
Presentation of new work.
Report of secretary of literature, Mrs. E. C. Protzman, Portland.
3:00—Discussion, "What Are the Duties of Auxiliary Secretaries of Literature?" led by Mrs. B. W. Wilson, Corvallis.
3:15—Address.
Prayer.
Hymn 644.

Wednesday Evening

7:30—Popular meeting.
Report of Y. P. C. E. secretary and letter from Dr. Anderews, India, Miss Edna Protzman, Portland.
Address, "Alaska," Rev. M. D. McClelland, Portland.

Thursday Morning.

Hymn 328.
9:30—Devotional service, Mrs. William McClure.
10:00—"Some Missionary Problems as I Have Seen Them," Rev. L. A. Tchorigian, Constantinople.
10:30—Report of Sunday school secretary, Mrs. F. I. Ball, Portland.
Discussion, "How Can We Interest Our Sunday Schools in Missions?" led by Mrs. E. T. Judd and Mrs. Wilson, Turner, Or.
11:00—Report of Chinese home committee, Mrs. H. N. Scott.
11:15—"Echoes From the Ecumencial Council," Mrs. W. H. Lee, Albany, Or.
11:45—Prayer.
Hymn 173.
12:00—Luncheon
Social hour.

Thursday Afternoon.

1:30—Scripture lesson and prayer, Mrs. H. F. Wallace, Salem.
1:45—Report of home corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. V. Milligan.
2:15—Address, Miss Helen Clark.
3:15—Hymn 608.
Thank offering.
Five-minute talks—"What Constitutes a Best Member?" Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, Eugene; "What Constitutes a Best Officer?" Mrs. T. Brouillette, Gervais.
"Missionary Quiz," Mrs. J. S. Bradley, Bridal Veil, Or.
Report of committees and election of officers.
4:20—Closing hymn.
Benediction.

According to the last annual report of the work of the board, the societies working under the board collected funds to the amount of $7450 85, and disbursed, $7529 16, thus drawing slightly upon the balance left over from the preceding year. At the close of last year's work, the treasurer reported $113 85 on hand. It is expected that the report this year will show a still greater amount of money expended in carrying on this Christian work.

Willamette Presbytery Adjourns.

EUGENE, April 11.—The Willamette Presbytery completed its work late last night. President Wallace H. Lee, of Albany College, made a report showing that institution to be in a thriving condition. The enrollment is 148. Two excellent additions have been made to the teaching force. Eleven students are studying for the ministry. During the past year the sum of $6310 has been paid on the debt of the college.

The name of Rev. J. A. Cleland, who has united with the Protestant Episcopal Church, was dropped from the roll of the Presbytery.

Miss Alice C. McKinlay presented the greetings of the Ladies' Missionary Society, which was in session in the lecture-room of the church, and Elders W. H. Lee and J. W. Crawford were appointed to return the greetings of the presbytery to the society.

The presbytery then adjourned to meet with the church at Woodburn on the Tuesday preceding the annual session of the synod, in October.

In the evening a good audience was entertained by a lecture by Rev. L. A. Tchorigain, of Constantinople, an Armenian Christian, who has exchanged pulpits with the pastor at Albany. This meeting was held under the auspices of the Women's Board of Presbyterial Missions.

VIRTUE TO START UP.

Means That This Mine Will Be Worked to Its Fullest Capacity.

BAKER CITY, April 11.—W. H. Washburn and two brothers left here yesterday to put the Virtue mill in shape to begin operations at once. Recently Arthur Buckbee, general manager of the Virtue mine, as well as of the Cumberland property in Idaho, stated to mining men here that the mill and mine were to be put in shape at once to be worked to their full capacity. It is understood that the mill will be run on custom work until the mine is thoroughly overhauled and opened up, so that it will produce ore sufficient to keep the plant going.

Old mining men and prospectors in this section are greatly rejoiced over the fact that this mill is to resume operations. They say it is one of the many indications of marked activity in mining in this section the coming season.

Quotations of Mining Stocks.

SPOKANE, April 11.—The closing quotations of mining stocks today were:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Amer. Boy	7⅝	8	Morn. Glory	4⅝	5½
Blacktail	8½	8⅝	Morrison	4	4⅝
Butte & Bos.	1	1⅝	Prin. Maud	1⅝	2
Crystal	4½	4⅝	Quilp	25	31
Conjecture	3⅛	3½	Ramb. Car	24¾	25
Deer Trail	1⅝	2½	Republic	24	27½
Evening Star	5	5	Reservation	3½	4¼
Gold Ledge	1¾	2	Rosn. Giant	3⅛	3½
I. X. L.	15	21	Sullivan	8½	9⅝
Iron Mask	20½	40	Tom Thumb	10	12½
L. P. Surp.	6½	7	Waterloo	2	2⅝
Mtn. Lion	20	27½			

SAN FRANCISCO, April 11.—Official closing quotations of mining stocks:

Alta	$0 04	Justice	$0 01
Alpha Con	5	Kentuck Con	1
Andes	5	Mexican	30
Belcher	21	Occidental Con	2
Best & Belcher	18	Ophir	70
Bullion	1	Overman	21
Caledonia	76	Potosi	9
Challenge Con	14	Savage	9
Chollar	11	Seg. Belcher	4
Confidence	70	Sierra Nevada	29
Con. Cal. & Va	2 10	Silver Hill	38
Crown Point	13	Standard	4 15
Gould & Curry	21	Union Con	14
Hale & Norcross	25	Utah Con	3
Julia	2	Yellow Jacket	15

NEW YORK, April 11.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Adams Con	$0 25	Little Chief	$0 14
Alice	34	Ontario	9 00
Breece	1 20	Ophir	65
Brunswick Con	20	Phoenix	8
Comstock Tunnel	06	Potosi	7
Con. Cal. & Va	2 00	Savage	6
Deadwood Terra	50	Sierra Nevada	28
Horn Silver	1 10	Small Hopes	60
Iron Silver	50	Standard	4 10
Leadville Con	5		

BOSTON, April 11.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 15 25	Humboldt	$ 25 00
Bing. Min. Co.	24 87	Osceola	85 50
Amal. Copper	114 00	Parrott	56 00
Atlantic	31 00	Quincy	178 00
Boston & Mont.	396 00	Santa Fe Cop.	9 50
Butte & Boston	108 50	Tamarack	348 00
Cal. & Hecla	840 00	Utah Mining	35 25
Centennial	26 50	Winona	4 62
Franklin	19 00	Wolverines	51 50

$410 Gold Brick.

MYRTLE CREEK, April 11.—Willis Kramer, proprietor of the Myrtle Creek Flouring Mills, has returned from his Golden Wedge mine, in the Galice Creek district, with a $410 gold brick, the result of a short run with an old-fashioned arastra.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REORGANIZED.

Centralia Company Elects Officials—Will Get $200 Per Year.

CENTRALIA, Wash., April 11.—At a special meeting last night the Centralia fire department was reorganized and the following officers elected: President, W. J. Underwood; vice-president, F. M. Crow; secretary and treasurer, F. E. Davis; trustees for one, two and three years, respectively, Arthur Maurry, S. C. Davis and W. C. Hinks; chief, Frank C. Miller; first assistant, John J. Carey; second assistant, Frank Roswell; property clerk, Miller C. Ashton. In future the department will receive $50 a quarter for its running expenses. For this purpose a tax levy of 1½ mills has been made.

Two New Sawmills.

A new sawmill is being built at Frances by the Gouger Lumber Company, of this place. It will be in operation in a short time.

The new sawmill of H. L. Goodwin, west of this place, has been completed, and is now ready to begin cutting timber. It will have a capacity of 15,000 feet per day.

New Machinery for Mill.

The new machinery for the Centralia Shingle Company's plant has arrived, and is being placed in position. The plant will have a capacity of 270,000 shingles per day.

Will Build $4000 Church.

In a short time the Methodist Church of this place will begin the erection of a new $4000 edifice. Twelve hundred dollars have already been subscribed, and it is believed that the remainder can be gotten together in a short time.

Annual Meeting of Presbytery.

The Olympia Presbytery and Ladies' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, which convened here Tuesday afternoon, adjourned today. There was a large attendance of ladies and ministers from the principal cities and towns of Western Washington. The statistical report of the clerk was encouraging, and showed advancement in all lines. Several changes were made in the different pastorates. Rev. J. R. Montfort, formerly of the Emanuel Church, Tacoma, was assigned to Chehalis. Rev. George H. Roach was called to La Camas.

Boy Met Death Beneath Train.

Charles Summerlin, an 8-year-old boy, met death by falling under a railroad engine at Cosmopolis, Tuesday. His remains were brought here yesterday for burial.

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WASHINGTON MAN WAXES WARM.

Thinks Oregon Is Going Away From Home to Get Buffalo Fair Exhibits.

SPOKANE, April 11.—O. M. Moore, executive commissioner for Washington at the Pan-American Exposition, says a fir tree cut in Washington will be part of Oregon's exhibit at Buffalo, and he calls the action a steal. The stump from