

BATTLED WITH THE ICE

STEAMER ROANOKE COMPLETES A PERILOUS VOYAGE.

One of Ship's Plates Stove In—
Hemmed in at Nor-ton Bay for
Seventeen Days.

SEATTLE, July 18.—Marked with the scars of many battles with the ice in Northern waters, with one of her plates on her port bow stove in by the treacherous masses, and after an absence of 50 days, the steamer Roanoke, the famous treasure-ship of the North, under the command of Captain H. P. Weaver, arrived in port today with 60 passengers and \$10,000 in gold. It was 10 years ago that this same ship arrived in Seattle from St. Michael with treasure on board which she started the world afire, and started the world for the gold digging which must forever stand unequalled in the history of the world. None was not even thought of at that time, and the treasure was obtained from the interior of Alaska. As it was then, so it is today, for the mines of the interior continue to contribute their yellow treasure to the marts of the world, while a backward season prevents any fair estimate being made of the wealth of the new country. The Roanoke left Seattle on her first voyage north for the present season on the morning of June 20, and arrived at Nome June 15, being the fourth vessel to reach that port this year. Rain storms and squalls, and occasional hail storms, beset the vessel on her northern trip. Dutch Harbor was reached June 7, and the first ice was met with four days later. All the afternoon and evening of June 11 the vessel did battle with the floating ice, and at 10 P. M. a hole was stove in the port bow. Fortunately the leak was slight and temporary repairs were speedily made, the vessel proceeding on her way. June 14 was spent drifting with the ice, and a second hole did the speed attack two knots an hour. None was reached June 16 and from that date until July 3 the steamer was ice-bound in Norton Bay. The Roanoke left St. Michael July 5, on her homeward voyage, with 60 passengers and \$10,000 in gold. Most of the passengers were from Nome, while 15 of them are from Lower Yukon points.

The treasure was consigned to the North American Transportation & Trading Company. Nearly \$100,000 was left at St. Michael for future shipment. When the Roanoke left St. Michael there was a great rush on from all interior points for Nome and all down-river steamers were crowded. The steamer Santa Ana, of the Government transport Warren, the steamers St. Paul, Conemaugh, Buckingham and Seward were all in port at St. Michael. There were also the steamers Erie and Ontario, which arrived in tow of the tug Holyoke July 4. The steam whalers Belvidere, Karluk and Jennie were at anchor in the harbor. The Roanoke was the steamship Charles D. Lane, which sailed from St. Michael for Seattle by way of Teller City the same day. The Roanoke departed the Nome City, which arrived at Nome July 7; the Jennie, at Dutch Harbor, en route to Seattle, and the revenue cutter Grant and the whaler Fearless.

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The remains of Charles W. Young, who died at Nome last October, were brought to Seattle, whence they will be shipped to the home of the deceased at the residence of P. Harris, a whaler who boarded the Roanoke at St. Michael, and was on his way to the Marine Hospital at San Francisco, died at sea of heart disease on the morning of July 11, after the vessel had entered the Unalakleet cemetery when the vessel reached that port.

TOWN SWEEPED AWAY BY FLOOD.

The Roanoke brought full particulars of the terrible flood on Fish River, which occurred on June 15, causing a loss of about \$50,000. The flood swept down Fish River, demolishing buildings, sweeping away stores and houses, and carrying general devastation in its wake. The damages were almost entirely confined to Council City, and when the Roanoke departed from Nome, that place was said to be in ruins. Most of the buildings at Council City were located on the flat, the notable exception being the store of the Wild Goose Mining & Trading Company, which was on high ground. On June 15, midnight, the ice broke and, sweeping over the flat at Council City, utterly demolished and destroyed every building but one, the Dauntless Hotel, run by J. Dexter. That was saved by heavy log cabin, the property of Harry Korte, and although the cabin was demolished, it turned the ice and thus saved the Dauntless, although the building was moved back five feet on its foundation. The North American Transportation & Trading Company buildings were located on the flat, and all were destroyed, and about ten tons of freight damaged.

As soon as the news was received at Nome, Judge Walter H. Ferguson, accompanied by C. P. O'Connell, of the North American Transportation & Trading Company, with several men, started at once for the scene of the disaster, but on their arrival found all danger past and the people living in tents on the hills.

TEACHERS FOR PHILIPPINES.

Washington Has Twelve, Oregon Three, Idaho One.

CHICAGO, July 18.—Washington fared better than any other state in the Pacific Northwest in the matter of teachers selected to go to the Philippines. Twelve have already been appointed, and two more are to be appointed from the State Normal School at Ellensburg, while three from Oregon and one from Idaho seem to fill the quota from those states. Probably more applications came in from Washington than Oregon, which accounts for the large number appointed. Those from Oregon were: Mrs. J. H. Whitaker, of Astoria, and Luther Parker, of Grand Ronde. The Washington appointees are: W. H. Badger and Mrs. J. H. Whitaker, of Peoria; Mrs. L. T. Deracker, of Davenport; W. S. Davis, of Colville; J. M. Kirkland, of Billard; Helen R. Mathison, of Spokane; George W. S. Blair, of Whitman College, Walla Walla; T. W. Thompson, of Tacoma; Harry A. Tash, of Whitman College, Walla Walla; Miss Minerva Udell, of Tacoma; Clarence McDonald, of Seattle; B. G. Calkins, of New Whatcom, E. F. Germain Preston, of Everett, Wash., was appointed from the University of Nebraska. R. C. Muesmon, of Moscow, is Idaho's sole appointee.

COUNTY CALLS IN PAPER.

Clatsop Will Soon Be Out of Debt—Taxes Coming in Fast.

ASTORIA, July 18.—County Treasurer Thompson will issue a call tomorrow for all warrants drawn on the general fund and endorsed prior to February 1, 1900, bringing the payment of warrants to within one year, five months and 21 days of the date of issue. The amount included in the call is \$4,000, of which \$400 is principal and \$3,600 is interest. Since the first day of January, six calls for general fund warrants have been made, representing the sum of \$4,732.71, of which \$4,222.96 is principal and \$509.75 is interest. This is the largest amount in warrants ever taken up by the county in a corresponding length of time and is due principally to the payment of delinquent taxes, although the reduction in the rate of interest from eight to six per cent has cut quite a figure.

Want Tax Sale Postponed.

Representatives of the city of Astoria and School District No. 1 have requested the County Court to postpone the sale of property heretofore purchased by the county or city for taxes, until September 1. The sale had been set for August 19, but it is understood the request for a

FOR ELECTRIC RAILWAY

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Deduct warrants redeemed \$113,395.74

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Total liabilities, \$402,380.01

RESOURCES.

Cash balances available for redemption of county warrants in county treasury, \$14,092.96

In hands of Sheriff, \$4,092.96

In hands of Clerk of County Court, \$40.00

Cash balances available for redemption of road warrants in county treasury, \$6,519.90

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Excess of liabilities, \$401,735.49

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Portland, Oregon, July 1, 1901. W. H. POPE, County Auditor.

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Received from State commitments to penitentiary, 50.00

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SCHOOL DISTRICT FUND.

To balance on hand December 31, 1900, \$11,045.77

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1899, 1,173.89

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1900, 6,841.23

Received from Clerk County Court delinquent tax sundry years, 1,734.96

Received from School Clerks, bonds and interest, 5,185.12—\$19,995.24

By amount paid School Clerks, 8,379.74

Bonds and interest, 5,464.52—\$8,886.36

To balance, \$3,235.38

ROAD FUND.

To balance on hand December 31, 1900, \$5,639.90

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1899, 1,185.05

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1900, 2,386.71

Received from Clerk County Court delinquent tax sundry years, 3,177.25

Received from State, 5 per cent land sales, 54.40—\$11,353.91

By amount paid road warrants, \$2,899.71

Interest on same, 1,746.09—\$4,645.80

To balance, \$6,519.90

PORT OF PORTLAND FUND.

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1899, \$1,592.29

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1900, 21,952.22

Received from Clerk County Court delinquent tax sundry years, 1,579.49—\$24,523.99

By amount paid treasurer Port of Portland, \$24,540.90

To balance, \$323.09

CITY OF PORTLAND FUND.

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1900, \$7,423.32

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1901, 134,554.12

Received from Clerk County Court delinquent tax sundry years, 414.30

Received from Park fund, 87.57—\$146,210.21

By amount paid City Treasurer, \$146,529.12

To balance, \$321.09

STATE FUND.

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1899, \$5,883.91

Received from Sheriff, taxes 1900, 6,019.39

Transferred from county fund, 97,856.12—\$119,759.07

By amount paid State Treasurer, \$119,047.93

Transferred to county fund, \$710.14—\$119,759.07

TRUST FUND.

To balance on hand December 31, 1900, \$1,154.49

Received from Sheriff, premiums, 1899, 2,177.00

Received from sundry estates, 54.40—\$3,385.89

By amount paid trust fund warrants, \$3,004.10

To balance, \$2,531.19

PATH FUND.

To balance on hand December 31, 1900, \$5,359.81

Received from Sheriff, tax 19