AFTER THE RAILROADS

PETITION TO INCREASE ASSESS-MENT IN THIS COUNTY.

Aim Is to Tax Those Corporations on the Basis of Their Net Earnings -Statement Submitted.

Proceedings have been begun, having for their object the taxation of railroads on the basis of their net earnings in Mult. nomah County. The first step was the fil-ng of a petition by J. A. Clemenson, in which he prays on behalf of himself and other residents and taxpayers that a certain statement relating to the propety and earnings of the railroads doing business in Multnomah County be inquired into to the end that the roadbeds of the milronds may be assessed at such pro-ortion of their actual value as the prop-rry of other tuxpavers is assessed. Reference is made to recent decisions of the Oregon Supreme Court to support the contention that railroads should be taxed on the basis of their average net carn-ings. This petition was served upon As-sessor McDonneil and a copy will be served upon the other members of the Board of Equalization—County Judge Cake and County Clerk Holmes—when it shall assemble next Monday. Mr. Clemenson, who is a Yamhill-Street

druggist, says that while the petition is in his name he really has nothing to do with the matter except to permit the use of his name. E. B. Watson, the attorpey, has taken the initiative in the pro-ceedings. He was the attorney for Jackson County in the case recently brought against it by the Southern Pacific Company for a reduction of assessment, and the railroad company then won. The Supreme Court took the ground that net carnings were a fair basis for the taxation of railroads that having been the earnings were a fair basis for the taxation of railroads, that having been the
contention of the Southern Pacific Company in the Jackson County case. Now
Judge Watson seeks to have that basis
recognized by the assessing and taxing
powers of Multnomah County. That he
has a wider application in view, however, it shown by the following letter:

Declined Aug. 21—70 the Editor.)—As

ever, is shown by the following letter:
Portland, Aug. 21.—170 the Editor.)—As
the time for completing the assessment for
the present year is near at hand, and the
noressary data for estimating the value of
railreads doing business in this state in conformity with the recent decisions of our Supreme Court in the Jackson County tax case,
filed Mayeh 25, and June 24, 1901, and reported
in 64 Pacific Reporter 207-378, and 65 Pacific
Reporter 309, are not readily accessible to
many Assessors charged with this responsible
duty, will you kindly publish the correct figduty, will you kindly publish the correct fig-ares for the Northern Pacific Rallroad Com-pany, Oregon Rallroad & Navigation Com-pany's Pacific System, and Oregon & Call-formia Ballroad Company, for each of the years ending June 30, 1898, 1803, 1900 and 1804, and as many previous years as you may think proper under the following heads: Mileage, gross carnings, operating expenses, set carnings, taxes and other deductions from ome, and thereby enable the taxing of ficers in every county in the state in which any portion of this species of property is structed to make a just and uniform assess-ment of the same? E. B. WATSON. Full answer to the foregoing question may be found in the petition which Judge Watson

It is expected that the County Board of Equalization will set a time for consideraction of the petition to be presented Mon-day. Then, if it shall be concluded that the assessed value of railroad property abould be raised, the companies affected will be notified and given a hearing and the valuations will be fixed as the judgent of the board may dictate. Judge Watson does not intimate what course will be taken if the equalization board shall not deem it wise to act in accord-ance with the petition.

Following is the petition in full: To the Honorable William M. Cake, County Judge: Hanley H. Holmes, County Cierk, and Charles E. McDonell, County Assessor of Multinamah County, State of Oregon, yespectively, and as composing the Hoard of

respectively, and as composing the heart of Equalization of said county: The undersigned, your petitioner, by this, his petition, respectfully states and abover: First—That he is a resident and taxpayer of Multinomah County, State of Oregon, and ition on behalf of himself

county similarly interested.
Second—That he has resided in said county for several years past, and is acquainted in a general way with the actual values of propx, and the rates of such actual value at eris, and the ration classes thereof have been assessed for taxes during the the four years beginning July 1, 1887, and ending June 30, 1801, and that in his best judgment, farming lands and city lots, with the improvements lands and city lots, with the improvements thereon, have been assersed upon an average of zhout 50 per cent of their actual value, and the roadbeds of the Northern Pacific Emilroad Company, Sregon Ballroad & Navigation Company and Orogon & California Haliroad Company (Jeaned to the Southern Pacific Railroad Company to June 30, 1927, the owner of \$0.850.000 of its \$7.000.000 common and \$11,561,500 of hs \$12,000,000 preferred empital stock, and thereby real owner of hs 655.76 miles of railroad within the State of Oregon, and operating the same as part of the "Pacific System" of said Southern Pacific Company, containing altogether 4861 miles of roadhed), at not to exceed I per cent of their

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Fourth-That the net earnings on all said roads for the year beginning July 1, 1900, and ending June 30, 1901, were not less than said average for said three preceding years, but

Fifth-That the actual and assessable values Fifth—That the actual and assessable values of said roadbeds upon the basis of their said average net earnings for said three years (1898-1900), under the decisions of the Supreme Court, in the case of Oregon & Callfornia Hailroad Company and Southern Pacific Company vs. Jackson County, filed March 25 and June 24, 1901, and published in 64 Pacific Reporter 307-319, and 65 Pacific Reporter, 389, with the same reductions for taxes, rolling stock, depot grounds, etc., separately assessed, and uniformly and with the same rate of interest for capitalization is a follows:

Northern Pacific Railway—

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Average net earnings \$13,790,440

Average taxes deducted 64,201

Net income per year 13,732,193

Actual value of railroad per mile, capitalized at 5 per cent. 54,250

Average value of rolling stock, depart grounds per mile deducted 1,028

Actual value of roadbed per mile 58,452

Fifty per cent reduction for uniformity 10,746

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capitalized at 5 per cent
Average value of rolling stock, depot grounds per mile deducted.
Actual value of roadbed per mile
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as follows: And that it would cost an equal amount per mits to replace the same; Wherefore, Your petitioner prays that all of Wherefore, four perisoner pass and matters may be inquired into and considered, and that the portions of said roadbeds in Multnomah County, Oregon, may be duly assessed at such just proportion of their actual value as the property of other tax-

EAST SIDE NEWS.

Clarence Kittrick Seriously Injured by a Fall.

Clarence Kittrick, son-in-law of W. E. Spicer, fell about 18 feet yesterday afternoon in Spicer's warehouse, on East First and East Washington streets, and probably was fatally injured. He was inthe second story of the building, and slipped and plunged headlong to the bottom of a bin, striking on his forehead. Dr. Day Raffety was summoned. It was some time before Kittrick could be controlled. He had three convulsions at the warehouse, and it was feared he would die, but he was finally controlled by hypodermic injections, and taken to his home in Upper Albina. The full force of the fall was received on the forehead. Two bones of the right hand are fracred, but these injuries are not serious, Dr. Raffety said last evening that Kitt-rick's injuries are very serious. It will be 48 hours before it will be known what the outcome will be. Mr. Kittrick has a wife and child.

Rally of Sub-Boards This Evening. There will be a rally of the Sub-Boards of Trade will evening at the Manley building on Williams avenue, Upper Al-bins. Full representation of the boards of the Tenth and Eleventh Wards is desired. An organization will be formed for the purpose of securing concerted action on all matters of mutual advantage.

Mill Man Injured. J. Jones, employed at the East Side mill, fell from a building in the lumberyard yesterday on East Water street, and was severely injured. He dropped about 12

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un hour.

At a meeting of the Eleventh Ward Sub-Board, held at Pledmont Thursday vening, it was unanimously decided to o-operate with the other boards at the

rally this evening. W. R. Bishop, on East Eleventh street, will start on his Eastern tour this morning. Yesterday he was provided with literature concerning the resources of the state, which he will distribute on his tour, Rev. J. J. Dalton, D. D., pastor of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, East Side, will preach tomorrow evening on, "Is Heaven a Place or a State?" He will take the same text that Rev. Frank E. Coulter used Sunday evening at Cen-tenary for the sermon, which has aroused so much criticism. Mr. Dalton says his sermon is not in answer to Mr. Coulter, but will be an exposition of the text.

Albina's new department store's grand opening this evening. Music 7:20 to 19:30, Everybody invited. Respectfully, Kennard & Adams.

Wise Bros., dentists, both 'phones. The

Free Swimming Bath Assured.

The free swimming bath will be built, with Portland money, if possible, but it will be built. Subscribe today and help to finish up the \$1800 yet required, so that the committee need not ming baths for the wealthy City of

PASTOR COULTER RESIGNS.

Congregation of Centenhry Church Protested Agninst Him.

Rev. Frank E. Coulter resigned as as sistant pastor of Centenary Methodist Church Thursday evening. He was pres-ent at the opening of the prayer meeting. and started to conduct the services, but objection being made, he turned the meet-ing over to Dr. L. E. Rockwell. At the meeting of the official board, which folowed, Mr. Coulter tendered his resignation, which was accepted, and the Incident was closed. Good feeling prevailed all around. Until the conference convenes the pulpit will be filled from time to time by local ministers and others whose servmay be obtained. Dr. Rockwell and Bishop Cranston, with the official board, have the matter of the new pastor in hand, and, with the help of Bishop Malla-lien, who will preside at the coming session of the Oregon conference, will be able to secure a suitable man to succeed the late Rev. G. W. Gue.

EXCURSION RATES.

Astoria Regatta. The O. R. & N. Co. has made a round-trip rate of \$2. Portland to Astoria, account carnival and regatta. Tickets will be sold August 25 for steamer Has-sale and August 25, 30 and 31 for steam-ers T. J. Potter and Hassale. Limit for return trip, September 1. For the accom-modation of Portland people, the T. J. Potter will leave Astoria for Portland at 11 P. M. on August 25, and at 11:30 P. M. on the 35th. Ticket office, Third and Washington.

BIBLE IS WORTH \$2000

WAS PRINTED IN SWITZERLAND NEARLY 350 YEARS AGO.

Original Owner and 25 Others Were Imprisoned for Reading From It.

fishing tools are used by well borers for recovering drilling tools that have be-came entangled in the deep wells. They are very expensive, and a set of them may be valued at several thousand dollars, so they are rented to well-borers who give bonds for their value, should they too, become lost in the bowels of the earth.

TO DISCUSS Y. M. C. A. AFFAIRS Conference of Pacific Northwest Employes Will Be Held Today.

At the close of the services in the Methodist Church in Silverton, Or., on a recent Sunday night, Rev. John Herr exhibited a Bible that was printed in Switzerland nearly 250 years ago. It was shown at the International Sunday School convention at Atlanta, Ga., in 1899, where Mr. Herr was offered \$1000 for it; and again at the Epworth League convention recently held in San Francisco, Cai., where a wealthy Swiss offered \$2000 for it. It was printed from wood type, in the action of the religious and educational work of the Seittle associations. It was printed from wood type, attle association; S. H. Ward, general There were but 50 copies in the edition, secretary, of Spokane; John Fechter,

CHARGED WITH PASSING WORTHLESS BILLS.



Harry Conway and Frank W. Burke, who were arrested Wednesday on suspicion of having circulated worthless bank bills issued by the defunct State Bank of Brunswick, N. J., were interviewed at the County Jail yesterday by an Oregonian reporter. Conway refused to talk further than to say that he might make a statement in the future, but that

payers in said county is assessed at upon an average for the present year; and as in duty bound will ever pray. he is not prepared to talk now. Burke talked more freely. "The package of notes which I had," he said, "was sent to me by this man Smith, who is under arrest in San Francisco. I understood from him that they were notes which had been left over after the bank for which they were printed had suspended. He told me that when they came into his possession they were unsigned, and I suppose he signed them himself, or had somebody sign them for him."

"Why was a bunch of them sent you?" Burke was asked. "Well, I agreed to help him put them in circulation," was the reply. "I understood that they were genuine bills, except that they had been left unsigned."

"You viewed the matter more as one of disposing of green goods rather than as passing counterfeit money?"

"Well, I don't know as I did," was the somewhat equivocal answer. Continuing Burke said he did not know whether he would plead guilty or not. He desired first, he said, to consult an attorney. He is without funds, and Conway is understood to be penniless. Conway is a bartender, and Burke is said to be a warehouseman. Both are very poorly dressed. They are kept apart in the County Jail.

existence—the one Mr. Herr has, an-other is in the museum in Berne, Switzer-ricultural College. The conference will

religious freedom which ended in 1558, was the means of their release, but in place of 26 coming forth there were only feet, and was unconscious for about haif 10, the other 16 having dled, and some suffered martyrdom. During this period many Bibles and other religious writings were publicly burned, but this one had been taken to a monastery, where it was found and restored to a grandson of the

original owner. "After the death of the grandparents rally this evening.

Peter Hume, a pioneer resident of stowed away with other articles, for it Brownsville, who has been the guest of was recently found in an attic, and in 1899 a distant relative sent it to Rev. J. Herr, living near Lima, C. It was in a poor condition, so he had its loose leaves fastened by a binder, and some fly-leaves added. With the Bible, but not fastened to it, was a family record on parchment, on which was also the history of the book. This record is also in the possession of Brother Herr, and by its means more than 2500 descendants of its origi-nal owner have been traced.

"Its outside dimensions are: Length, 13 inches; breadth, nine inches; thickness, four and one-half inches. It weighs nine and one-half pounds. Its covers are some-what wormeaten. It is bound in beachwood, grown on the Alps, this being covered with leather tanned in Russia. There are some simple brass ornaments is followed by a brief concordance. The initial letter of each chapter is an ornamental scroll; the chapters are divided

Special School Meeting. into paragraphs. The Apocrypha is placed between Chronicles and Job. In the margin of Jeremiah in are placed letters from the Hebrew alphabet."

OIL BUSINESS OVERDONE.

Crude Petroleum Down to 16 Cents R Barrel in California.

E. R. Bishop, a former business man of Heppner, who is now on oil operator n Kern County, California, was at the Imperial yesterday. He said the oll business is suffering from overproduction and so there is very little money in it, though he hopes for an improvement in a few years. His oil well is situated within 40 miles of Bakersfield, in the foothills along the western slope of the Sierra Nevada mountains, and so is somewhat remote from the market, though there is some talk of a pipe line to the Coast and San Francisco.

"My well is 1200 feet deep," Mr. Bishop sald, "and the cost of sinking it was about \$7000. The well is not a gusher, but there is ample evidence of an abundance of oil, and the fluid can be pumped out at small expense when the price justifies. At the present value, 16 cents a barrel, however, there is nothing in raising it to the surface. Crude oil a few years ago was worth \$1 a barrel in the San Joaquin Valley, but overproduction has brought it away down."

Mr. Bishop thinks there has been con-siderable operating of the "wild cat" order in the oil business, and out of near 2300 oil companies that have stock on the market in California, not over 300 have struck oil. "Of course these companies will come out all right if they strike it,"
he said, "but persons who invest their
money in such stocks should realize first
that the whole thing is a big gamble."
Mr. Bishop is engaged in selling "fishing

of which but three are known to be in general secretary, of Salem: J. B. Patiand, the other in the museum in Berlin, Germany. Rev. L. H. Pederson has furnished the Pacific Christian Advocate the following historical sketch of the Bible:

"It was translated into the Swiss lan-

"How to cultivate loyalty on the part of our young men to the association and its enterprises."—Robert Carey, Seattle.

"Fractical suggestions on junior work."—
W. A. Davenport, Bolse, Idaho.
"What city associations can do for railroadmen."—A. K. Hicks, Pocatello, Idaho. "Manual training in the development of a boy."—W. J. Standley, Portland.
"Essentials in attractiveness about an association building."—S. H. Hanna, Everett.
"The employment work of an association. Why maintained and when E. Wright, Portland.

Why maintained and when successful."-W. "Things to be avoided in the physical de-partment."-M. M. Ringler, Portland.

EASTERN MULTNOMAH. Prosperity Items From a Prosperous Section.

GRESHAM, Or., Aug. 23.-A. H. Bell, the Rockwood merchant, will commence work next week on a new store building. It will be 50x60 feet, two stories high, on its covers, others having been lost. It will be 50x80 feet, two stories high, and be arranged for a stock of general merchanise, feed and hardware. The graphed. It also has a picture in colors covering two pages, picturing the last judgment, Christ being the central figure.

Its preface gives the gist or root-teaching away. With the new hall which has reof each book. Following this is an order cently been finished, a new parsonage, a of Scripture lessons for various days, such new schoolhouse in prospect soon and sevas Epiphany, Palm Sunday, etc. This eral dwelling-houses going up or recently

Special School Meeting. The Board of Directors of Gresham School District has issued a call for a special meeting to be held tomorrow evening. The purpose is to raise funds for extra expense incurred on the new school-house. A very small levy will raise all that is needed, and the people prefer being taxed at once to going in debt, even for a small amount. The schoolhouse is rapidly nearing completion, and will probably be ready by September 15, as originally intended. Brief Notes.

D. W. Metzger has lumber on the ground for a new warehouse. It will be fitted up with an engine and mill for grinding chop feed. The Columbia Telephone Company has completed its line to Rockwood, which place is connected with Portland by a

'phone at Bell's store. Andrew Breugger, who lives near Sycamore, is preparing to build what will probably be the finest dwelling in this section. It will cost over \$1800.

Threshing is well under way, and the grain yield is better than ever before. Four machines are in operation, and will have runs lasting about two months each, Proctor & Beers' sawmill has resumed cutting railroad ties. It is expected that all the mills will resume cutting ties about September 1 at the old rate of 23 cents aplece.

Former Resident of Forest Grove. FOREST GROVE, Or., Aug. 23,-Mrs. Charles Gardner, aged 29 years, who died at her home in Portland yesterday of organic heart trouble, resided here at one time. She left a husband and two daughters, Leona and Nettie. Interment will be in the Naylor Cemetery here

WITNESS COLLAPSED WHEN HE WAS CAUGHT IN A LIE.

Linnton Bont-Stealing Case Dismissed Because There Was Too Much Blind Plg in It.

Eugene Doutrevaux, a Frenchman, who lives at Linaton, had a preliminary examination yesterday before Justice Vreeland on charge of larceny by ballee of a boat belonging to Gaston Marquis. The courtroom was filled with Frenchmen and some Italians, mostly witnesses in the case. In the examination for the defense one of the witnesses, Edward Sequie, caused a sensation by falling in an epi-leptic fit when Deputy District Attorney Spencer caught him on a plain contradic spencer caught him on a plant cought a sailing yacht, which he valued at \$75, although he admitted that he paid \$15 and received a receipt for \$45. He turned it over to Doutrevaux for safe keeping, with permission to use in taking out parties. When Marquis went to Linnton on August 19 to get this craft he handed Doutrevaux \$3, telling him that it was for keeping the boat. Defendant pocketed the \$3, and when the owner of the yacht undertook to take possession Doutrevaux ordered him off, at the same time demanding more money, about \$8, for taking care of a horse. The defendant then brought forth a gun, which to the witness looked like a small cannon, but, according to some of the witnesses, was a harmless guntary authout aven a stock However. barrel, without even a stock. However, Marquis was convinced it would shoot a bullet, as he said it had been fired at a target. Marguis was convenienced at a target. Marquis was closely questioned by the defendant's attorney, and brought out the interesting fact that he was a horse trader. The other witnesses were not clear on any particular point.

It came out at the trial that all had

patronized the "blind pig" at Linnton and were not in condition to remember what occurred when Marquis demanded the boat. Doutrevaux made a general denial of the use of the gun, but admitted that he held the boat for his pay.

When Edward Sequile came on the stand for the defendant he was sadly mixed up. He said one moment that he was so far away that he could not hear what passed between Doutrevaux and Marquis, and the next instant he said he was close enough to deliver over the boat he was in. Deputy Spencer then asked him how this could have been. The witness glanced at the attorney for an instant, and then with the look of a man who had fallen in the river and was going down for the last time, threw up his arms and tumbled over on the floor in an epileptic fit. A friend of the prostrate pushed the library door shut softly, as if man rushed forward, and in the effort to loosen his shirt collar by cutting it open with a knife, came near severing Sequie's jugular vein. He did inflict a slight gash. Sequie was then lifted up and some Bull Run water dashed in his face, When he revived he was excused from the witness. evived he was excused from the witness

Justice Vreeland concluded from the character of the testimony on both sides that the complaining witness, defendant and all the witnesses had been patronizing the Linnton "blind pig" too freely to give intelligent accounts of what happened, and discharged the defendant.

HARBORS OF THE WEST. Impressions of the Visiting Con-

gressmen.

the following historical sketch of the Bible:

"It was translated into the Swiss language from the Latin Vulgate by Rudolph Wiseenbach, in the year 1550, and printed by Andrew Gessner, in Zurich, Switzerland, in 1533. In the persecution a short time after, these two were burned a short time after, these two were burned a short time a half-franc was the wages per day of ordinary labor, while a skilled mechanic might earn I franc. It was an age when the laity were forbidden on pain of death to read the Bible. "How to lead young men to take and gen on a certain occasion its owner was seen by many of the Washington correspondents. To them Mr. Bauton declined in the care they were discovered reading. "How to lead young men to take in educational classes."—M. Meruho, Tacomality and they no a certain occasion its owner and 25 others were discovered reading and active himself of the recently gathered information, would change his attitude regard to others were discovered reading and active himself of the recently gathered information, would change his attitude regard at the next session of Congress where discovered reading the character of the recently gathered information, would change his attitude regard the Holle. "How to awaken and retain the interest of the light of the recently gathered information, would change his attitude regard the more of the officials that a mistake the Burnet of the House rivers and harbors committee, and they say and the was seen by many of the Washington correspondents. To them Mr. Burton declined in the taking burnet and about the dealer whether or not his committee, in leight of the recently gathered information, would change his attitude regard to take the best as such at the wind of an interest than the treat that the kind of animals I saw ever was seen by many of the Washington correspondents. To them Mr. Burton declined in the treat that the kind of animals I saw ever was seen by many of the Washington correspondents. To them Mr. Burton declined in the treat the whole of a fine par sion, as there were some few projects, particularly along the Pacific Coast, which have heretofore been carried by the bill, which were found to be unworthy of con-"How to promote among our young men a sideration by the general Government, more intelligent and responsive sense of public duty."—Oscar Cox. Portland.
"How much personal service should we expect from members of the board. Illustrations and suggestions."—S. H. Ward, Spotember of the suggestions of the board of the portland of the personal service should be expected allowed. Mr. Burton also intimated that the next bill would probably have to be allowed. Mr. Burton also intimated that the next bill would probably have to be drawn on more liberal lines than that of last Winter, because of the exhaustion of so many appropriations for works now

under construction. All efforts to have Mr. Burton express an opinion as to the merits of the im-provement at the mouth of the Columbia, at The Dalles, and in fact at any specific Oregon or Washington point, were un-

availing. "The committee received a very hospitable reception on the Pacific Coast," said able reception on the Facilic Coast, said Mr. Burton, coming down to the general features of the trip. "The citizens every-where, as well as the commercial bodies where, as well as the commercial solution and transportation lines, yield with one another in making our visit a delightful one. The display of cordiality was very gratifying to all of us. Even more marked was the desire to give us every facility for obtaining information. They concluded solutions that we had come for work ed early that we had come for work rather than for a junket. It was notable that San Francisco, Portland and Ta-coma, the principal centers from which we made our examinations, looked out just as carefully for the interests of mi-nor towns in their vicinity as for their own and took pains to afford full oppor-tunity to examine into the prospects and

possibilities in other places, even though they might in time prove to be rivals.

"The features, which upon a first visit to the Pacific Coast are most impressive to a person who has spent his life on the Atlantic side or in the Middle West, are the vast possibilities of that region, the great value of resources, agricultural and mineral, the unlimited supply of timber in Oregon and Washington, and the ber in Oregon and Washington, and the great wealth of their fisheries. To these may be added excellence of climate and beauty of scenery. In utilizing all these they are handicapped by remoteness from markets, and the consequent high cost of transportation. Their patrioism and energy is worthy of the highest admiration. In an unusual degree they have contended with obstacles unknown on the Atlantic Coast-long distances from great centers, obstacles interposed by mountains and deserts and in former years the hosand deserts and in former years in hos-tility of the Indians. Among these dis-advantages they have shown a sturdy type of American citizenship. Their hos-pitality is worthy of all praise. In past years the impression has prevailed that the Pacific Coast was slightly regarded by the rest of the country, but I think this feeling is passing away. "A pleasant feature of the trip, which

was during the heated term, was the cool temperature and constant sunshine, particularly west of the Cascade Moun tains. Nothing but the long distance be-tween these localities and the Atlantic Coast prevents them from being favorite Summer resorts. Opportunities for recreation and climate are unsurpassed anywhere. Whenever the tide of Summer mi-

gration starts in this direction, it will cer-tainly become very large.
"The committee also enjoyed its trip bowels. to Alaska. Little is required there in the way of river and harbor improvements, except, perhaps, in the Wrangel Narrows, where a deepening and widening of the channel would be desirable. Much is required, however, in the way of more efficient lighting. These channels are remote from lighthouse headquarters, so that often buoys and aids to navigation get out of place and remain as a snare to

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| eral welcome extended to us everywhere. While many improvements are required our examination would lead to the conclusion that in some cases improvements have been undertaken on the Pacific Coast without sufficient discrimination, so that less important projects are required our examination would lead to the conclusion that in some cases improvements have been undertaken on the Pacific Coast without sufficient discrimination, so that less important projects are required. that less important projects have received large appropriations, to the disadvantage of others more important and more prac-

"The prominence of the arid land problem was impressed upon us by the trip. At the same time, under present condi-tions, the quantity of arid land which can be made valuable for cultivation is much smaller than is popularly supposed. The value of irrigated portions would consist in the extreme productiveness and in their proximity to mining and other localities where cultivated land is very scarce.

"We all returned with the pleasantest impressions of the Pacific Coast, and I trust with an amount of information which will be of very great assistance in framing a bill next Winter."

CAUSE OF "NIGGER BURNING"

Not a Desire for Vengeance, but a Lack of Amusement.

J. P. Mowbray's Dialogues in "My Library." Before the Judge could reach Kansas the practical man interrupted him, without the least heat, but with an easy return to "By the way," he said, "I have just come from Georgia and was fortunate enough to see one of their nigger-burn-

He said this with the conscious superior. ity of the man who places facts far above mere deductions. Perhaps his composure annoyed the Judge, who stopped walking

"Did you enjoy it?" "Well, sir," replied practical compla-ency, "I am glad I saw it—there is so much mistaken apprehension among the people of the North who never saw it." "Let us hope," said the Judge, "that

they will always have the same excuse for misapprehension." "I think you mistake the motive of the r think you mistage the motive of the people who burn niggers. You think it is in some way an unbridled vengeance."
"Yes," said the Judge, "I think that would be our estimate of it."
"Well, sir, there you would make a mis-

take. I dld not observe any riotous sense of justice, at least to any large extent." 'Well, what in heaven's name did you observe?"

"I observed that most of the men engaged in that business were actuated by a be situated in various parts of the grounds desire for sensation. It was a kind of ex-citing amusement. I think you do them sition. As soon as the turn in one place too much honor by attributing any idea of justice to them."

The Judge, who had started in with his walk, stopped suddenly again and stared at me. I must have stared back. The

I was prospecting some pine lands, and I had the opportunity to see how the lynching proposition worked. Well, gentlemen, it worked a good deal like an approaching circus with a brass band, spotted horses and a fairy rope-walker. The men didn't ask what the nigger had done-they wanted to know where the show was. and they wanted front seats. They dropped their tools and gave up their jobs and got together in knots. It promised just the kind of excitement that their dull, imbruited natures could thrill at. It's a fact, gentlemen. Even the niggers and the women felt the thrill of it. Why, two years before, when I was in Texas and

whole business in time. They will either

of Tar-heels and Clay-eaters will die out for want of amusement."

DAILY CITY STATISTICS. Building Permits.

T. J. McNamee, repairs to house, no east corner of East Tenth and East Oak,

\$400. Frank Spitulski, two-story dwelling, East Sixteenth, between Carl and Rhine streets, \$2000. J. Welss, two-story dwelling, Hawthorne tvenue, between East Ninth and East

Tenth, \$2900. Birth Returns. August 21-Boy, to wife of R. D. Webb, 126 Grand avenue.

August 19-Boy, to wife of John J.

Smith, 344 Morris street. Death Returns. August 22-Maurice Gardner, 29 years, North Thirteenth street; heart dis-

August 22-Martha E. Rollins, 4 months, Good Samaritan Hospital; intersusception of bowels.

of bowels.

August 21—F. Bonney, 17 years, Good Samaritan Hospital; brain trouble.

August 21—Mary E. Stimson, 51 years, East Ninth street; secondary anaemia.

August 18—James Hanna, 50 years; drowned in Willamette River.

Real Estate Transfers.

gust 17.
Theodore A. Goffe to Ellen A. Goffe, lots 5 and 7, block 22, Multnomah, January 31, 1891 For abstracts, title insurance or mtg. loans, see Pacific Coast Abstract Guar-anty & Trust Co., 204-5-6-7 Failing bidg.

Dyspepsia causes its victims to live in misery. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures dys-

SENSIBLE TO QUIT. Coffee Agrees With Some People,

"In my own case I am unable to drink coffee without having distress afterwards, and my son, Il years old, has had dys-pepsia, caused by drinking coffee. "We all abandoned the use of coffee some months ago and have been using

the Postum Food Coffee since, "Each and every one of us have been that often buoys and aids to navigation get out of place and remain as a snare to navigation for a long time before they Mr. Bishop is engaged in selling "fishing tools." as he calls them, though there is no fishing within many miles of Mc-Kittrick, where his store is located. These

Mr. Bishop is engaged in selling "fishing it, but there's no way so good in the original tools." "Our trip was necessarily a hurried follow the directions properly; then we one and laborious in many ways, but have a delicious drink."—Mrs. A. E. Mount in the close they are relocated.

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Skin Cream and Powder. 25c. Meier & F.

PREPARATION.

Multnomah Field Will Have 40,000 Candle-Power Electric Lights and Many Attractions.

Electric lights of 40,000 candle-power will make Multnomah Field brilliant during the evenings of the carnival. No such scene has ever before been witnessed in the Pacific Northwest. The field conin the Pacific Northwest, tains five acres, and it will be immensely improved. Seats will be so arranged that every square foot of the grounds will be in view, and none of the sights will be missed. The carnival committee on build-ings and grounds is making such alterations as will transform the field into a bower of beauty.

The military tournament competitive drills will be held on Multnomah Field during the evenings. The shooting con-tests will be held in the afternoons. Several military companies are drilling regu-larly in preparation for the carnival events. Some special feature will be in progress on Multnomah Field all the time. The Great Auditorium.

Plans are maturing for the putting of extra fine touches on the interior of the music hall of the Exposition building. The finish will be something fine, and he accoustic effects will be near perfection. When the decorators and scenic artists get through with the music hall,

its old admirers will not recognize it.

The German Village. This feature of the carnival will be a great attraction. Its shady bowers of evergreen will be enlivened by the strains from a \$2500 music box, located at the south side of the lower east ring, in ample space of 50x150 feet. The concession for the village has been sold for \$503. The cane concession has been let for \$25, and bids for other concessions are

being received. No Dull Moments.

The amusement committee is arranging for a carnival of life and brilliancy, with a continuous performance of thrilling events. The attractions will not be lo-cated in one particular place, but are to is completed another act will commence in another wing, thus preventing the crowd from becoming stagnant and foreing the spectators to circulate. There will be life and animation everywhere.

The steamboat lines have all agreed to

co-operate with the carnival committee and the railroads in giving the people of the Northwest a big holiday of a week on excursions rates of one and one-third fare for the round trip.

EXHIBIT FOR CARNIVAL. Oregon City Fish Hatchery is Pre-

paring one. ASTORIA, Aug. 21.-E. N. Carter, su-perintendent of the Government hatchery near Oregon City, is making arrange-ments to have an exhibit at the Portland Carnival in the nature of a mina-ture hatchery in operation. He has re-quested Master Fish Warden Van Dusen assist him and salmon eggs in different stages of growth will be furnished from the state hatcheries for the ex-

with the country will correct the Muirs, a freestone peach, which is said to be just as good as the Crawford, coming in just after the Crawfords. There is not little probability, however, of burn all the niggers or the present race

peaches being any cheaper than at pres-There is complaint of a scarcity of Bartlett pears in the market for "putting up This is accounted for by the fact that unusually heavy shipments of these pears are being made from the Ashland region to Chicago and New York. One commis-sion firm in this city has shipped loss boxes a day all this week, and is now hunting for pears for the city trade. What does it profit a man or a woman to live in the finest frultgrowing state in the Union, if the people of less favored states buy all the best fruit at prices na-

tives cannot afford? BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth, Be sure and use that aid and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Scathing Syrup, for children teething. It scothes the child, softens the gume, allays all pain, cures wini colic and diarrhors.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Aug. 23.-Maximum tempera ture, 72; minimum temperature, 56; river real-ing at 11 A. M., 47 feet; change in 28 hours, -0.4 foot; total precipitation, 5 P. M. to 5 P. M., none; total precipitation since September I. 1900, 42.70 Inches; normal precipitation since September I, 1900, 46.60 Inches; deficien-cy, 3.90 Inches; total manaline August 22, 9.58;

possible sunshine August 22, 13:48. PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

STATIONS.	Max, temp	Precipitation last 12 hours	Wind.		×22
			Velocity	Direction	eather.
Astoria	(54)	(7,00)	12	SW	Pr. cloudy
Blaker City		00.00		S	Char
Blumarck	76	00,00		NE	Pt. cloudy
Bolse		05.00		3	Clear
Eureka	433	05.005		NW	Chenr
Helena	82	T	12	8	Cloudy
Kamtoops, B. C	88	0.00[Clear
Neah Eay		00.00			Close
Pocatello		0.00		S	Clear
Portland		05,600	10		Chese
Red Bluff		02.00	10	SE	Clear
Roseburg	THE	0.00	-8	26	Pt. cloudy
Sacramento		00.00	12	8	Clear
Salt Lake		0.00			Clear
San Francisco		0.00		SW	Clear
Spokane		0.00			Clear
Sesttle Walla Walla	.82	0,00	- 8	NW	Clear
	100	0.00	S	N	Pr. cloudy

Except a few small showers in Southern Orcon, no rain has fallen in the states west of he Rocky Mountains during the last 24 hours. It is decidelly cooler in Western Oregon, but in Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Idaho warm weather prevails, with afte

moon temperatures ranging between 90 and 100 degrees. The indications are for threatening weather but Not With All.

"Coffee has caused my son-in-law to have nausea and pain in the stomach and barrels."

"The indications are for interesting weather over the greater portion of this district Saturday, with showers and thunder storms in Northeastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Northern Idisho, and possibly light local show-lawers.

FORECASTS.

Forecasts made at Portland at 8 P. M. for 8 hours ending midnight August 24: Portland and vicinity-Cloudy and threaten ing, with probably showers. South to west Oregon-Fair, south; probably showers north

rtion; coclet east portion. South to west Washington-Pair west; probably thunder orms east portion. Cooler east portion. South

Idaho-Fair south: probably thunder storms north portion. Cooler north and west portions, South to west winds. EDWARD A. BEALS, Forecast Official.