TONGUE TELLS OF HIS PART

HE HAS TRIED TO GET GOVERNMENT BUSINESS FOR OREGON.

Co-Operation of People Might Have Been Better—Some Interesting Official Correspondence.

HILLSBORO, Oct. 9.—Representative Tongue, in speaking this morning as to what interest he had taken, or efforts he had made to secure the purchase of hay, oats and other supplies to be shipped from Portland to Manila, said:

"Most assuredly I have. So has every other member of the Congressional delegation. We have used the telegraph, the mails, and made frequent personal calls upon both the Secretary of War and the Quartermaster-General in an effort to secure a fair share of the Philippine trade for the State of Oregon. Proper credit is not always given to us for what we do secure, and blame is sometimes attached where it does not belong. I think every member of the Congressional delegation labored a long time before any transport was loaded from Oregon. We were then at home, but wrote frequently and sent frequent telegrams. At last the Secretary of War wired us that he had ordered a transport to proceed to Portland and load with forage for Manila. The credit of this was given to a Portland gentleman who left the City of Portland after the members of the Congressional delegation already had in their possession a telegram announcing that the transport had been ordered to Portland.

"Last Winter I made frequent visits to the War Department in connection with the purchase of horses, hay, grain and military supplies for Manila. On the 10th of last month I wrote to the Quartermaster-General, setting forth precisely the state of facts set out in the editorial columns of The Oregonian of the 3d inst., and the fact that hay and oats could be purchased in Portland much cheaper than in San Francisco or on Puget Sound. I sent a definite offer from Mr. Westgate, of Albany, a responsible gentleman, offering to furnish 4000 tons of oats for $10,000 less than the Government had paid for the last order of that size in San Francisco. This was a business proposition difficult to evade. The letter must have been received at the department by the 15th or 16th of September, but was not answered for 10 days. Perhaps time was taken to investigate the facts, or responsibility of Mr. Westgate. Finally I received this letter, giving apparently plausible reasons for the purchases in San Francisco, but concluding with the statement that an order had been made giving Oregon an opportunity to furnish a cargo of forage to be shipped from Portland. Here is the letter:

War Department, Quartermaster-General's Office, Washington, Sept. 26, 1901.—The Hon. Thomas H. Tongue, Hillsboro, Or.—Sir: The receipt of your letter of the 10th inst., stating that you are in receipt of a letter from G. A. Westgate, of Albany, Or., in which he complains that Oregon merchants have been discriminated against in the purchase of oats by the Government, is respectfully acknowledged. In regard to that part of his letter which you quote, namely, "I am prepared to load 4000 tons of oats at this time in Portland for $10,000 less than was paid for the last order of the same size in San Francisco," it is doubtless true; but it is considered extremely doubtful by this office if he could have done so at the time the purchase was made in San Francisco.

Before making the purchase referred to in San Francisco, this office telegraphed the Chief Quartermaster at Vancouver Barracks to know at what price oats could be purchased in Portland. He replied:

"Westgate, from whom I have heretofore largely purchased, advises supply of oats in this vicinity exhausted."

It must be understood that when this purchase was made in California the new crop at Portland had not come into the market, and was not available for shipment. It was, therefore, necessary, to purchase the cargo in San Francisco at a somewhat higher price than it could be purchased for now, to meet the requirements of the service in Manila.

The purchase of forage for shipment to the Philippine Islands will continue to be made in Portland and other places on the Pacific Coast, wherever the forage can be purchased and loaded most advantageously for the interests of the Government. The Chief Quartermaster at Vancouver Barracks was yesterday authorized to invite proposals for a cargo of forage to be shipped from Portland.

A. S. KIMBALL,
Assistant Quartermaster-General, U. S. A.,
Acting Quartermaster-General.

"How much this correspondence and the offer of Mr. Westgate may have contributed towards procuring this order for the purchase of supplies at Portland, and the sending of the vessel there, I am not able to state. But certainly every member of the Congressional delegation has always been ready, is now ready, and will be ready in the future to do everything within the power of each one to see that Portland has a fair share of this trade. This matter does not concern Portland alone, which is not in this Congressional district, but vitally concerns the whole state, and particularly the Willamette Valley. But we cannot do everything. We need the co-operation of business men. We frequently need facts and statements, which they should be able to furnish us. Over a year ago I requested gentlemen connected with the Chamber of Commerce to furnish me a statement of the local market price of first-class oats and first-class timothy hay at various dates, running over a period of several months, at San Francisco, Portland and on Puget Sound, and a statement, as near as could be given, of how much of these articles were shipped from Portland to Puget Sound and San Francisco, respectively. Those facts have never been furnished. The department alleges that the disposal of this traffic is done upon business principles, without discrimination, and with the purpose of giving all the Coast a fair opportunity. It is said that those handling the shipping in Portland are not willing to do business upon as close margin as those who are handling the shipping on Puget Sound. Whether this is true or not, I am not able to say. Some figures were furnished that apparently gave credit to the statement. If the claim of the department is correct, the matter should be remedied. Ships can go from Portland as cheaply as from Puget Sound. If higher prices are asked in proportion to the capacity of the vessels at one port than at another, it not only tends to discourage the trade of that port, but injures the reputation of the port besides.

"Hay and oats of a good quality, in extensive quantities, can certainly be purchased cheaper in Portland than at San Francisco or upon Puget Sound. If the transportation can be equally as cheap, and this fact can be shown to the Government, then the Quartermaster's Department must either purchase more from Portland or acknowledge that the purchase is not being made on business principles."

ELECTRIC POWER PLANT.

Baker City Company File on the Waters of Rock Creek.

BAKER CITY, Or., Oct. 5. — William Pollman and a number of other Baker City men have filed on the waters of Rock Creek, and have announced their intention to establish a power system for the generation and transmission of electric power to this city. It will be necessary to construct a ditch about three miles long, to convey the water to the site of the power-house, where a fall of several hundred feet can be obtained. From the power-house, which will be located several miles from the city, the electric current will be transmitted by means of copper wire to this city to run mills and factories and light the city. The company, which is to be formed by Mr. Pollman and his associates, will expend about $50,000 on the power plant. It expects to have from 2000 to 5000 horsepower to distribute. This will be all the power that will be required in Baker City and vicinity for several years. The work of building the plant will be started as soon as the arrangements for the necessary material can be made. This is a very important matter for Baker City and all of Eastern Oregon.

FOR REPORTS OF COUNTY CLERKS.

Form Prepared Under the New Tax-Apportionment Law.

SALEM, Oct. 9.—Secretary of State Dunbar has prepared a blank form for the reports of County Clerks under the new law regarding apportionment of state taxes. Under the act of the last Legislature state taxes will be apportioned after 1905 on the basis of county expenses. In order that the county expenses may be determined, the County Clerks are required to make reports upon uniform blanks prepared by the Secretary of State.

This part of the new tax-apportionment law will be beneficial in many respects. Heretofore there has been no means of comparison between the different counties to ascertain which keep their expenditures within the lowest limits. Under the new law the reports of the different counties will be tabulated, and it can be determined at a glance how the counties spend their money. The accounts to be rendered do not include expenditures for road purposes. As all the counties will report in exactly the same form, comparisons can be made. As the people will thus learn wherein their own county administrations are extravagant, the new law will in this respect encourage economy. The several items of expense to be reported are as follows:

County Court and Commissioners, salary of Judge, Commissioners, bailiffs, livery, experting of books, etc.; Circuit Court, salary of bailiffs, reporter, jury and witness fees, meals, special counsel, etc.; Justices' Courts, fees of Justices, Constables, jurors, witnesses, etc.; Sheriff's office, salary and expenses of Sheriff and deputies; Clerk's office, salary of Clerk and deputies; Recorder's office, salary of Recorder and deputies; Treasurer's office, salary of Treasurer; Coroner's office, fees of Coroner, physicians, jurors, witnesses, etc.; School Superintendent's office, salary of Superintendent, fees, etc.; Stock Inspector, salary, etc.; Assessor's office, salary of Assessor, deputies, extra help, etc.; assessment and collection of taxes, copying tax rolls, extra clerks, collecting, advertising, levying on property, etc.; tax rebate, taxes refunded; current expenses, books, stationary, postage, expressage, telephones, etc. (all offices); Courthouse expenses, janitor, lights, water, fuel, repairs, furniture, rent, etc.; jail, board of prisoners, medical attendance and medicine, repairs, supplies, fixtures, etc.; poor, care of, salary of County Physician, poor farm, provisions or transportation furnished, hospital charges, burials, etc; indigent soldiers, relief furnished; insane, examination and expense; Reform School commitments, expense of; bridges, built by contract, material and labor furnished, pay of keepers, etc.; ferries; election expense, registration, ballots and supplies, pay of judges and clerks, Deputy Sheriffs, etc.; scalp bounty, county bounty, one-third state bounty.

The law governing these reports provides:

"By the 15th of January of each year the County Clerks of the several counties shall prepare, upon a blank form prescribed and furnished by the Secretary of State, a concise tabulated statement of all the expenses of his county for the preceding year, except expenses for roads and highways, which statement shall be certified to by him as such County Clerk and forwarded to the Secretary of State, and a duplicate thereof placed on file in his own office."

It is then provided that the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer shall ascertain during the month of January of each year the amount of money to be raised for state purposes, and this amount shall be apportioned among the counties prior to 1905 on a ratio fixed by this law, and thereafter on the basis of the average amount of county expenses for a period of five years. That is, the Secretary will keep the record of county expenses for five years, and at the end of that time compute the average, and the counties will pay state taxes in the same proportion that their expenses bear to the total expenses of all the counties in the state. Thus, the county that keeps its expenses down will be required to pay the least taxes. During the next five years the counties will pay their state taxes at a fixed ratio, determined by taking the average valuations in the several counties during the past five years.

This plan was devised to remove the incentive to low valuations. Already it has been productive of good results, for nearly every county reports increased valuations. The counties no longer have anything to gain by making low valuations, for they will have the same amount to pay into the state treasury. Marion County's valuations this year will be from 15 to 20 per cent higher than last year, and the rate of taxation will be correspondingly lower.

WOOD FAMINE, AS PREDICTED.

Price of Fuel at Salem Is High, and Promises to Be Higher.

SALEM, Oct. 9.—Salem is just now feeling the effects of the wood famine which was predicted last Summer. Although the roads are now excellent for hauling, the price of wood is high, and apparently going higher. Second growth fir brings from $3 to $3 50 per cord; large fir, $3 75 to $4, and grub oak, $4 to $4 50. Those who bought wood on speculation last Summer are in a fair way to make a good profit on their foresight. Farmers sold large fir wood readily at $2 75 per cord, delivered in Salem, and now they are fulfilling their contracts, while the speculators reap a clear profit of $1 to $1 25 per cord.

Many residents of this city left their wood-buying until after the Summer vacation, or until after hoppicking, and now they are paying a penalty for their procrastination. "All sold" is the answer usually given by a farmer when he is accosted with an inquiry for wood. Wood wagons are quite numerous on the streets, but they are hauling wood sold last Summer.

It is thought by some, however, that the present prices will not be maintained. As a result of the exposure of the shortage and of the wood corner, last Summer, farmers were induced to cut as much wood as their time would permit. The cool weather, which lasted until mid-Summer, was favorable to the cutting of wood. The hop and prune curing industries have not taken quite as much wood as was anticipated, for both crops cured more rapidly than usual. As the demand for wood is very strong, and the supply not pressing upon the market, not much of a reduction in price can be expected, while there is more prospect for an advance.

TO HELP OHIO REPUBLICANS.

Governor Geer Will Leave for Columbus Next Week.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 9.—Governor Geer will leave October 17 for Columbus, O., to participate in the campaign in that state, making stump speeches for the Republicans. Mrs. Geer will accompany the Governor. They will return immediately after election and expect to be home about November 16.

Escaped Reform School Boys Caught

M'MINNVILLE, Oct. 9.—Louis Meyers and Charley Granstrom, two escaped Reform School students, were returned to the Reform School from this place today. The two boys effected their escape from the Reform School last Friday night. They had been playing in the band, and under a pretext of visiting the lavatory eluded the guards and made their way to this place, which was the home of Granstrom. Young Meyers was committed to the Reform School from Eastern Oregon.

Murderer Gets Twenty Years.

TACOMA, Oct. 9. — Charles Andrew Stewart, convicted of murder in the second degree for killing George Swanson, at a wood camp in Olalla last June, was today sentenced to 20 years in the state prison, the maximum of the law.

DEATH OF DR. TUTTLE

INVENTOR OF THE EXPLOSIVE CALLED THORITE.

End Came Without Warning at His Home in Tacoma—His Was a Great Invention.

TACOMA, Oct. 9.—Dr. H. P. Tuttle, well known as the inventor of the explosive called "thorite," dropped dead at his home in this city today. He was born in Iowa, December 9, 1844, and came to Tacoma about 1889, and had practiced medicine up to about three years ago, when he abandoned his practice to further study the subject of explosives, in which he had become interested.

"Thorite," the explosive which Dr. Tuttle discovered, was the result of experiments which he undertook in Tacoma shortly after the discovery of gold in the Klondike, when miners were in need of some explosive that could be used in the frozen ground of that region. It proved to be a wonderful invention, and at once attracted the attention of Army circles at Washington. Arrangements were made for testing the new explosive, and its result fully justified the claims Dr. Tuttle had made for it. It possessed of remarkable qualities for use in projectiles intended to pierce heavy armorplate, and successfully passed through all the tests required. Congress passed a bill appropriating $50,000 for the purchase of the "thorite" invention in conjunction with the Ieham shell, but certain provisions were embodied which prevented the negotiations being carried to a successful termination.

Dr. E. V. Hoover.

Newly-Elected Mayor of Roseburg

ROSEBURG, Oct. 9.—Dr. E. V. Hoover, who has just been elected Mayor of Roseburg, is the son of the late Dr. G. W. Hoover, an Oregon pioneer, and was born in Roseburg, August 11, 1873. He received his early education in the public and high schools. In 1894 he went to Portland, where he attended the Oregon State Medical College for one year, and from this institution he entered the leading medical college of the West. On April 8, 1897, he passed the examination of the State Medical Board, and was granted a license, and at once opened up an office and commenced practicing at Roseburg, where he has been eminently successful. In politics Dr. Hoover is a Democrat. He was elected Coroner of Douglas County on the union ticket in 1898, and served one term with credit to himself and his party. He was elected Mayor of Roseburg by a good majority.

Funeral of Harry Coad.

DALLAS, Oct. 9.—Harry Coad, who died in Portland Monday, was buried here today. He was one of the most highly respected citizens of this section. He was born in Pennsylvania in 1845. He came to Oregon in 1885, and settled in Polk County, where he had since resided. He left a wife and four children—Edward E., Fred H., Nellie and Samuel.

GEER ON THE SCHLEY COURT.

Oregon's Governor Thinks the Whole Affair Is a Great Farce.

SALEM, Oct. 9.—Governor Geer, when asked for his opinion of the Schley court of inquiry today, said:

"Of all stupid, senseless, childish affairs that have ever engaged attention of a government, the Schley investigation takes the blue ribbon without a rival. One might suppose that some blunder had occurred at Santiago by which our forces had met with defeat, through which we have been humiliated before the world. The fact is, the affair at Santiago was a greater victory than that at Manila, because at the later place there were a few Spanish vessels yet protruding above the face of the water, but when the smoke had cleared away at Santiago there was nothing left to tell the tale. But, it is said, the Brooklyn made a loop, therefore Schley should be censured. Well, suppose the loop was made, since after the fight was over there was nothing left to shoot at that ever carried Spanish colors. It is difficult to surmise what more could have been expected or desired. To be of sufficient importance to justify an investigation it must be true that the making of the loop detracted somewhat from the completeness of the American victory, but since, notwithstanding the loop, the entire Spanish fleet was swept off the sea, it makes a timid man shudder to contemplate what might have happened if, for any reason, the loop had been neglected. By all means, censure Schley for making that loop."

OFFICERS DIRECTED HIS RELEASE.

Man Held at Baker City Not an Idaho Murderer.

BAKER CITY, Or., Oct. 9.—Chief of Police Ben Francis and Officer Robins, of the Boise police force, were here today for the purpose of interviewing Dan Leasure, better known as the "bald-faced kid," who had been arrested on suspicion of having been implicated in the murder of an old resident of Boise named Levy. Levy, who was an old man worth about $75,000, was found dead in his room last Saturday, and the evidence went to show that he had been strangled in his office on Thursday last, and the body thrown in a vacant room, where it was discovered Saturday, by reason of the stench arising from it.

Leasure came to Baker City last week from Boise and suspicion was directed to him because he flashed a large roll of bills and was free with money. He was subjected to a rigid examination by the officers, but the fact was brought out that Leasure came to Baker City before the murder was committed, and he was also able to account for the money to the satisfaction of the officers. After being in the sweatbox all day, Leasure was released this afternoon. The officers are satisfied he was not responsible for the murder of Levy.

PIECES OF ART FOR COLLEGE.

Monmouth Normal School Remembered by Graduating Classes.

MONMOUTH, Or., Oct. 9.—A beautiful statue of Diana and a bust of the young Augustus were unveiled at the morning exercises at the State Normal School today. The former is the gift of the February class of 1901, and the latter of the June class of 1901. The statue of Diana is some 30 inches high, and rests on a suitable base three feet high. The figure is clear cut and the effect is a very pleasing one. The bust of the young Augustus was selected by Professor R. C. French, who, on his recent trip to Italy, selected it at the studio of Ranildi, in Rome. The bust is of the finest Parian marble, and is a perfect likeness. The lines and features are very clearly cut, and the whole work is that of a finished artist. The copy was very carefully compared by the professor with the original likeness, and the copy is without a fault or flaw. This rests on a suitably carved bracket of Oregon oak on the rostrum. Silver plates with the date and names of the donors of the pieces of art will be secured at once. These works of art add much to the pleasing effect of the chapel rostrum.

EASTERN OREGON PRESBYTERY.

It Will Conclude Its Work Today—Synod Opens Tonight.

BAKER CITY, Or., Oct. 9.—The Presbytery of Eastern Oregon convened at the Presbyterian Church in this city this afternoon at 1 o'clock, with representatives from all the churches except one present. Rev. S. C. Elder, of Moro, Sherman County, was elected moderator. Rev. F. I. Forbes, of Pendleton, stated clerk; Rev. W. H. Blakely, of Summerville, permanent clerk; Rev. Levi Johnson, temporary clerk, and Rev. B. F. Barber, of Prineville, vice-moderator.

The afternoon session was devoted to routine business, the appointment of committees, reports from churches, etc. At the opening session, which was devoted to religious exercises, Rev. D. F. Harner presided and Rev. R. J. Diven, of Pendleton, delivered the annual sermon in the absence of the retiring moderator. It is the intention to finish up the business of the presbytery tomorrow afternoon, if possible, in order to clear the way for the Synod of Oregon, which will convene at 7:30 in the evening, when Rev. P. Ray, D. D., of Chicago, will preach the opening sermon. The synod is composed of representatives from all the Presbyterian churches in the state, and it is expected that most of them will be present. The session of the synod will last until Monday.

Lake County Teachers' Institute.

LAKEVIEW, Oct. 8.—The 12th annual County Teachers' Institute for Lake County has just closed after a three days' session. The institute was a success in every way. Only one teacher in the county was absent. But one teacher was tardy during the entire session, and that was during the first morning session. He had to come 15 miles and was late in arriving.

State Superintendent Ackerman and President Campbell, of the Monmouth Normal School, were the instructors, and at all times had the closest attention of the teachers.

The teachers of Lake County rank well in the profession, since about 42 per cent of them are graduates from state normal schools, and the 58 per cent hold first and second grade county certificates.

W. C. T. U. Convention.

ASTORIA, Oct. 9.—The Woman's Christian Temperance Union continued its convention today, the morning session being taken up principally with listening to the reports of the officers and committees. The treasurer's report showed that all bills had been paid and that there was a balance in bank. This afternoon were held the formal exercises in memory of the late Mrs. Narcissa White Kinney and were attended by a large number of citizens who had been her personal friends. This evening was devoted to the "Y" programme, and a benefit evening, in charge of the presidents of counties having gained 60 or more new members during the past year.

CAN FACTORY IS RUSHED.

Astoria Concern Gets an Order Away From San Francisco.

ASTORIA, Oct. 9.—The local factory of the American Can Company is rushed with orders at present and additional help is being employed to increase the output of the plant. It is now filling a large order for the Standard Oil Company, work that has heretofore been done in San Francisco.

Good Run of Silversides.

During the past few days there has been a good-sized run of silversides in Young's and the Lewis and Clark Rivers. A number of fishermen have had their nets in the water catching them for the fresh fish market.

Lieu Land Patents.

Lieu land patents were filed for record today whereby W. A. Geer secures 1279.13 acres of timber along the Necanicum River and in the southern portion of the county in exchange for lands which he owned in the forest reserve.

Quotations of Mining Stocks.

SPOKANE, Oct. 9.—The closing quotations of mining stocks today were:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Amer. Boy	8½	10½	Prin. Maud	1⅝	1¾
Blacktail	9⅝	10	Quilp	20¾	24
Butte & Bos.	½	1½	Ramb. Car	49	50½
Crystal	9⅝	10½	Republic	1¼	3½
Conjecture	¾	2	Reservation	5⅛	5½
Deer Trail 2	2	2¾	Ross. Giant	2½	3¼
Gold Ledge	1⅛	1¼	Sullivan	9½	10
L. P. Surp.	3¼	4	Tom Thumb	13	13½
Min. Lion	23	27	Wonderful	2	3½
Morn. Glory	2⅝	3	Winnipeg	7	7⅞
Morrison	1¾	2½	L. Dreyfus	2½	3½

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 9.—Official closing quotations of mining stocks:

Andes	$0 03	Occidental Con	$0 05
Belcher	8	Ophir	71
Best & Belcher	15	Overman	4
Caledonia	30	Potosi	5
Challar	5	Savage	10
Confidence	79	Seg. Belcher	2
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 65	Sierra Nevada	15
Crown Point	6	Silver Hill	30
Gould & Curry	5	Standard	3 50
Hale & Norcross	12	Union Con	13
Justice	2	Utah Con	2
Mexican	16	Yellow Jacket	7

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Adams Con	$0 20	Little Chief	$0 12
Alice	50	Ontario	11 00
Breece	1 40	Ophir	70
Brunswick Con	7	Phoenix	6
Comstock Tunnel	6	Potosi	4
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 60	Savage	6
Deadwood Terra.	50	Sierra Nevada	12
Horn Silver	1 80	Small Hopes	40
Iron Silver	60	Standard	3 60
Leadville Con	6		

BOSTON, Oct. 9.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 23 50	Osceola	$ 96 50
Bing. Min. Co.	29 00	Parrott	39 50
Amal. Copper	86 62	Quincy	160 00
Atlantic	32 00	Santa Fe Cop.	5 00
Cal. & Hecla	650 00	Tamarack	287 00
Franklin	17 00	Utah Mining	23 50
Humboldt	10 00	Winona	2 62
Wolverines	58 50		

Prunes Smaller Than Last Year.

JUNCTION CITY, Or., Oct. 9.—Henry Bushnell, owner of the fruitdrier in this city, has just completed a month's run and finished drying 4000 boxes of French and Italian prunes. He reports that prunes were somewhat smaller than last year.

Rev. Mr. Lobdell, of Kansas, has been assigned to the pastorate of the Christian Church of this city for the ensuing year.

SCOTT PROVES AN ALIBI

EX-CHIEF JUSTICE TESTIFIED IN HIS OWN BEHALF.

He Was Not Home at the Time of the Criminal Assault Charged Against Him.

NEW WHATCOM, Oct. 9.—During the trial today of the case of the State vs. Elmon Scott, ex-Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of this state, charged with criminal assault, the defendant established a complete alibi. Half a dozen prominent men testified to seeing and being with him in the heart of the Mount Baker mining country from May 19 until June 1, whereas the indictment alleges that the crime was committed the last week in May, on or about May 24. The prosecution rested its case early this morning. After introducing a plat showing the premises of both the prosecutrix and the defendant, the defendant was placed on the stand.

He told of his arrival in this state 20 years ago, his marriage immediately afterwards and of his raising a family, the oldest members being daughters, who are now grown. He said he was elected to the supreme bench upon the admission of Washington to statehood, and had continued there until two years ago, the last two years being Chief Justice. He denied in toto, and most vehemently, every allegation of the prosecutrix. On and about the date alleged that the crime was committed he said he was in the heart of the Mount Baker country with the American and Canadian Boundary Commissions, watching the relocation of the international line.

Mrs. Dolan, to whom the prosecutrix wrote the letters introduced yesterday, in which the prosecutrix said her story concerning the defendant was false, and that her stepmother had forced her to tell it or submit to being sent to the reform school, also testified this afternoon. She said that after the girl had imparted that information to her she had asked her husband what to do, and had been advised to keep her mouth shut. Afterwards she informed defendant's wife what she had heard. Mrs. Scott, wife of the defendant, said the prosecutrix was a little neighbor girl for whom she and all her family had shown great sympathy, partly on account of the tales she had heard of the cruelty of the girl's stepmother, and that her family had extended her every courtesy.

After visiting the premises of both the defendant and the prosecutrix, Attorney Howard rested the case for the defense just at adjournment. The state announced that the rebuttal testimony would only consume 15 minutes.

TEXT-BOOK SQUABBLE.

Publishers Begin an Action Against Olympia School Board.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Oct. 9.—The Westland Publishing Company, which was awarded many of the contracts for school text-books by the State Board of Education in May, 1900, for a term of five years, today made application to the Superior Court of Thurston County for a temporary restraining order prohibiting the school directors of Olympia from continuing the use of books, other than those for which the plaintiff holds contracts, in the schools of this city. Some time ago the Olympia School Board adopted other books, alleging that the contracts made by the State Board were invalid because the retail and exchange prices were in excess of the figures fixed by law. Afterward an action was instituted by the County Superintendent and others to compel the board to use the book contracted for by the State Board in May, 1900, and prescribed in the course of study. This action has never been given a hearing in the courts. The Westland Company now brings this action for a temporary restraining order, alleging that the injury which would result to the plaintiff is irreparable, and cannot be calculated in money. It is probable that in the trial of this cause the constitutionality of the Gunderson bill, passed at the special session of the Legislature in June last over the Governor's veto, will become an issue.

SMALLPOX AT OLYMPIA.

Children Must Be Vaccinated If They Attend School.

OLYMPIA, Oct. 9.—Laura Dwyer, a pupil of one of Olympia's schools, was today found to be afflicted with smallpox in light form. While the girl has not been to school for 10 days past, the City School Board decided to take vigorous measures to prevent the disease getting a hold in the schools. Accordingly, at a meeting held this afternoon, an order was made that the 900 children attending the public schools should at once be vaccinated, and those who had not conformed to the order by Monday morning next should be refused admission to their regular classes. This action was taken under authority granted to the School Board by the statutes.

Court Decides Against Olympia.

The Supreme Court today decided adversely to the City of Olympia in two suits appealed from the Superior Court of Thurston County. The actions were originally brought by A. J. Haseltine and Robert Strahorn, respectively, to compel the Treasurer to pay certain city warrants. The city alleged that the warrants were invalid for the reason that at the time of their issuance the city was over the limit of its legal indebtedness. The amount involved is approximately $70,000 and interest since 1893.

WERE BEING SMUGGLED IN.

Launch With Four Chinese Captured—Captain Escaped.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Oct. 9.—Another evidence of the determination of Chinese to invade this country and evade the exclusion law was brought to light today by the capture of a sloop with four Chinamen on board. The capture was made by the United States revenue launch Guard, in command of Lieutenant H. B. West, this morning at 10 o'clock, a few miles south of Fort Flagler. When the captain of the sloop sighted the launch approaching he ran his sloop close inshore and jumped overboard, swam to the beach and took to the woods. A portion of the crew of the launch landed and gave chase, but owing to the dense growth of underbrush the pursuit was abandoned. On the sloop were found four Chinamen, who were brought here and stated to Collector of Customs Huestis that they paid $50 to be brought over from the British Columbia side. The sloop belongs to a resident of British Columbia named Jamieson. This makes the fourth sloop captured from him with Chinese on board in the past 30 days. Two other sloops belonging to other men were captured during the same period. The Chinese are being smuggled across the line daily and the authorities are putting forth increased efforts to put a stop to the business.

ANTI-ANARCHIST LEAGUE.

New Washington Corporation to Be Conducted on the Lodge Plan.

OLYMPIA, Oct. 9.—Articles of incorporation of the Anti-Anarchist League of America were filed in the office of the Secretary of State today by Seattle men. The object of the league is implied in its name, and it is to be conducted on the lodge plan. One lodge has already been instituted at Ballard, King County. Grand Chief Patriot John E. Reid and Grand Guide N. S. Galloway are the incorporators.

Anarchism Condemned.

The Olympia Chamber of Commerce, at its regular meeting last night, passed resolutions condemnatory of anarchism and urging Congress to pass laws placing membership in an anarchistic organization on the calendar of crimes such as high treason, and further urging that an attempt made on the life of the chief officers of the Nation be punishable by death.

Fruit for Pan-American Exposition.

About 300 pounds of choice samples of Thurston County fruits were shipped to the Pan-American Exposition today, at the request of C. H. Ross, who is in charge of the horticultural exhibit at Buffalo for the Washington Commission.

PROCLAIMS HIS INNOCENCE.

Effort Is Being Made to Secure a New Trial for Alaska Murderer.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Oct. 9.—The steamer Santa Ana arrived from Nome this evening, bringing 95 passengers and $100,000 in dust belonging to returning miners. The Santa Ana was 14 days in making the run down, calling in at Dutch Harbor.

Fred Hardy, under sentence of death for the murder of the Sullivan brothers and P. J. Rooney, on Unimak Island, proclaims his innocence. Those who have seen him say he does not look like a criminal and has not even a tough appearance. In an interview, Hardy states that his father was formerly Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue in Tennessee, where he now resides. After three years' service in the United States Army, he was mustered out at San Francisco last March and shortly afterwards sailed north on the fishing schooner Argo, having $600. On the same vessel was George Aston, a Government witness, on whose testimony he was convicted. Aston deserted the fishing vessel first, and it was thought he had been lost in the fog while fishing. Later, Hardy deserted, and he came across Aston and three others who deserted from the schooner Dove, and in the cabin occupied by them was the plunder taken from Sullivan brothers. On the invitation of Aston, he left the island with them. Aston giving him a package to carry which contained the watch and other valuables which belonged to the murdered men, and the first he knew of the murder was when he was arrested and the articles identified. Hardy's statements have caused some excitement, and many believe the young man to be innocent, and steps are being taken to secure a new trial. Aston is being retained in custody, and was sent to St. Michael for safe keeping.

Good Weather at Nome.

Up to the sailing of the Santa Ana, Nome had not been visited with the annual storm, the weather having been fairly good. When she left Nome there were no vessels in the harbor.

A Rich Deep-Sea Mine.

Captain Strand, of the Santa Ana, reports having found a deep-sea mine of unusual richness. When he weighed anchor at Nome a considerable quantity of mud was brought up, and some of the miners on board prospected it, with the result that several small nuggets of gold were found, the largest of which was worth $1. The Santa Ana was anchored one and a half miles from shore in six fathoms of water, and Captain Strand expresses the opinion that with a deep-sea dredge a large amount of gold dust could be secured. Other vessels have found gold in mud brought by their anchors, which indicates that the bottom of the sea in the vicinity of Nome is rich in the yellow metal.

Many of Destitute Are Women.

Returning passengers say a large number of the destitute at Nome are women who rushed north in the hopes of securing employment at lucrative wages, but met with disappointment and did not make more than enough to live on, and will not be able to live through the Winter. Some of the women have children, and citizens are making efforts to raise money by subscription to send them out on the last steamer.

Many Reindeer Died on the Way.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—A report by Lieutenant Berthoff, of the Revenue Cutter Service, upon the importation of Siberian reindeer into Alaska, received today at the Interior Department, discloses remarkable mortality among the animals during the voyage. The deer were taken to Alaska in the Russian ship Progress, which landed at Teller reindeer station, Alaska 28, nine days out from Siberia. Of the 425 deer taken on board, only 254 were landed alive. Lieutenant Berthoff ascribes the heavy loss to the bruising of the animals by being constantly thrown down by the action of the ship, which encountered several severe gales. The Laplanders say the deer were starved, although there was plenty of moss aboard, the troughs being too high from the deck. The deer have been apportioned among the already established herds. One herd has been set apart for the Quaker Mission at Kotzebue. The report added that there has been no Summer in Northern Alaska, and that snow began falling August 28.

Money for Volunteers.

OLYMPIA, Oct. 9.—As one of the results of General Drain's visit to Washington, Governor Rogers has received a United States Treasury draft in the sum of $17,257 50, to be used in the payment of officers and men of the First Washington Volunteer Infantry from the time of assembly at Camp Rogers until mustered into the service of the United States. Payment is to be made at the rate of $1 50 per day for enlisted men, and $2 per day for officers.

Application should be made to the Adjutant-General for blanks upon which to make claim for this pay. All correspondence relating to this matter must go through the Adjutant-General's office.

Another Sawmill for Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, Oct. 9.—There are rumors of more sawmills at this point, two having decided to build. The West-Slade Company, which operates the largest mill here, will erect another one just as soon as an available site can be secured. The Bryden-Leitsch Company will enlarge its mill in South Aberdeen. The talk of the Weyerhauser mill seems to have died out, and although it was said land had been purchased by that company at Hoquiam, four miles from here, no one seems to know much, if anything, about it.

Taxes Will Be Lower Than for Years

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 9.—The tax rate for the coming year will be lower than ever before in the history of the city. The budget prepared by the Council indicates that it will be 1 per cent. The showing speaks well for the present administration, which has also carried forward more street improvements than any former administration. Besides the street work, a fine new engine and hosehouse is being erected, and the system of water works put in much better shape than for a long time.

Nome City Returns.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Oct. 9.—Disabled steamer Nome City arrived from Cape Nome this morning, 14 days making the run down. On her up trip the Nome City broke her crank shaft and it was with difficulty she reached Nome. Temporary repairs were made, but owing to the frail condition of the shaft she refused to bring any passengers.

Steamer With Klondike Gold.

PORT TOWNSEND, Oct. 9.—The steamer City of Seattle arrived from Skagway this morning, bringing 328 passengers and $300,000 in treasure.

DOCTOR POISONED HIMSELF.

He Took the Wrong Medicine—Mistake Almost Proved Fatal.

BAKER CITY, Or., Oct. 9.—Dr. C. W. Faull, a prominent young physician of this city, accidentally poisoned himself last night by taking a dose of atropia in place of a harmless preparation for a cold, from which he was suffering. He had a box of tablets in his pocket which he was using for the cold, also a box of atropia tablets, which resembled in size and color the cold tablets. While reading in his office he took a tablet out of the wrong box. Shortly after taking it he had occasion to go down on the street, where he met Dr. O. M. Dodson, and while the two were getting a cigar Dr. Faull suddenly became dizzy, when he realized what the trouble was and told Dr. Dodson that he was poisoned, explaining what it was that he had taken. Dr. Dodson at once administered antidotes, but it was only by the hardest kind of work that the life of Dr. Faull was saved. He is able to be around today, but feels the effect of his terrible experience very keenly.

Against a Special Session.

ALBANY, Oct. 9.—At a meeting of the Linn County Council, Patrons of Husbandry, today, a strong resolution was passed against the calling of a special session of the Legislature for the Lewis and Clark Exposition. The opposition is not to the exposition, but the special session, which the people do not believe is except under the most urgent circumstances. The sentiment is universally in favor of the great exposition, and the Central Willamette Valley may be depended upon at the proper time to do its share towards making it a success.

High-License Ordinance Defeated.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Oct. 9.—The City Council last night voted down the ordinance to increase the saloon license to $300 per year.

ABLEST DOCTORS IN AMERICA

Declare There Is a Sure Cure for Nervous Ailments.

Use of Paine's Celery Is Openly Advised.

Wonderful Results Recently Effected by Compound.

BUFFALO, Oct. 8, 1901.—An evening paper publishes a symposium of physicians' opinions regarding the efficacy of various remedies for the cure of nervous prostration and attendant ills. Each physician was asked to express his opinion, first, whether those diseases were curable when once they had gained a hold upon the patient, and, second, whether the same remedy would be beneficial in all cases.

Without exception, the physicians interviewed declared that nervous prostration, when not too far advanced, insomnia, rheumatism, indigestion, resulting, as it most frequently does, from deranged nerves, dizzy headaches, and most liver and kidney complaints, were absolutely curable.

But the answer to the second question was most remarkable, because, with two exceptions, all the doctors mentioned by name Paine's celery compound, a well-known remedy,