SURVEY OF ARID LANDS

STATE OF OREGON WILL MAKE ONE IN EASTERN PART OF STATE.

Application Was Made by an Irrigation Company Under Law Passed by Last Legislature.

SALEM, Nov. 15.—The State Land Board today decided to employ Frank M. Jordan to survey arid lands in Harney County, upon application of the Wright's Point Improvement Company, of Burns, which desires to enter into a contract to reclaim the desert land, under the act of the Legislature of 1901, which is an act to provide for the acceptance by the State of Oregon of certain lands, and for the reclamation and disposal of the same.

The survey has been asked in order to prevent the appropriation of some of the land by other people, thereby interfering with the irrigation system of the company.

The State Land Board has approved 26 loans, aggregating $26,025.

A. G. A. R.-W. R. C. BABY.

Organizations Name a Youngster and Give it Nice Presents.

OREGON CITY, Nov. 15.—Rose Meade McKillican is the first child born in Oregon City whose mother and grandmother are both members of the Women's Relief Corps, and whose grandfather is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. The child is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson McKillican and was born September 29, and to Meade Corps, W. R. C., and Meade Post, G. A. R., was given the privilege of naming the baby. The corps gave the child the name of Meade and the post added Rose. The girl was presented with a solid silver cup by Meade Corps and the Grand Army gave her a silver napkin ring, on which was engraved her full name, Rose Meade McKillican.

Motion of Railroad Overruled.

Judge McBride today overruled the motion of the defendants in the case of the Portland City & Oregon Railway Company vs. Oregon City, to test the validity of the ordinances granted by the city to the company. The complaint embraces three ordinances, and the motion was to strike out all portions relating to two of the ordinances. A motion was argued to make the temporary injunction, granted by County Judge Ryan to prevent the city from interfering with the employes of the company, permanent, and the Judge has not yet decided this. Court was adjourned this afternoon until Monday.

Order in Hays Land Contest.

Register Moores, of the land office, has given the attorney for the contestees in the Hays case until November 25 to produce his witnesses. The office today certified to the exhibits of the contestant in the case.

NEGOTIATIONS AT AN END.

Astoria Company Will Not Sell Its Alaska Cannery to the Trust.

ASTORIA, Nov. 15.—The stockholders of the Alaska Fishermen's Packing Company held a special meeting this afternoon, and declared off all the negotiations that have been under consideration for the sale of the company's Bristol Bay cannery to the Pacific Packing and Navigation Company. The plant is not for sale now, and will be operated as before. This company was organized in Astoria three years ago, and $52,000 of its stock was sold. Since then it has paid over $50,000 in profits.

Seining Ground Sold.

Deeds were placed on record today by which W. E. Tallant transfers three of his Columbia River seining grounds to F. P. Kendall and George W. Sanborn. One was also recorded by which Thomas Spencer sells to the same parties his seining grounds.

Bad Boys to Be Taught a Lesson.

During the past few weeks the service of the Western Union office in this city has been interfered with on account of boys breaking the glass insulators from the poles, they being made targets for rifle practice. Yesterday Rudolph Wahlgren, 17 years of age, was arrested, having been caught in the act of breaking one. He was given a preliminary hearing in the Justice Court this afternoon and bound over in $300 to appear for trial at the next term of the Circuit Court. It is expected that several more boys will be arrested on similar charges.

TOM CONSIDINE ON THE STAND.

He Broke Down While Testifying in Behalf of His Brother.

SEATTLE, Nov. 15.—Thomas J. Considine, brother of John W. Considine, also under charge of murder of Chief of Police Meredith, testified this afternoon in behalf of his brother. He detailed minutely, and at length, the movements of himself and John on the afternoon of the killing, and gave a version of the fight in the drug store showing Meredith the aggressor throughout. Rigid cross-examination failed to shake his testimony on any important point. He himself had carried no revolver on that day, and took no part in the fight until called upon by John, while the latter was grappling with Meredith. The first discharge of Meredith's shotgun and the belief that John had been seriously hurt paralyzed Tom for a few moments, and he was roused to action only by the calls of John. In this portion of his testimony Tom broke down on the stand and sobbed aloud. John Considine was visibly affected by his brother's emotion, and his wife and father, who sat near, were moved to tears. Other witnesses of the day testified to having seen Meredith on the afternoon of the shooting and to seeing the drug store fight. The defense expects to close its case tomorrow.

HE WAS MOURNED AS DEAD.

Man Who Disappeared From Home When a Boy Returns.

BAKER CITY, Or., Nov. 15.—Seventeen years ago Page Halley, a boy 14 years of age, suddenly disappeared from his home in Wallowa County. Every effort was made to find some trace of the missing boy, and at last his distracted parents gave up and mourned him as dead. Yesterday a well-groomed man of about 31 years of age stepped off the O. R. & N. train and made inquiry for his parents, only to learn that they were both dead, and that all the members of the family, except one brother, had left this part of the state. One of his brothers lives in Eagle, and the whereabouts of the others is not known to any one residing in Baker City. Since leaving home Mr. Halley has traveled in all parts of the world and has seen most all there is to see. His father was J. P. Halley, an old pioneer of Wallowa County. William Hyde Stalker was the only friend of his childhood to greet him in this city.

MUCH ORE BEING TAKEN OUT.

Stamps at the Flagstaff Mine Are Dropping Day and Night.

BAKER CITY, Nov. 15.—The 10 stamps in the old Flagstaff mill, just east of Baker City, are now dropping day and night, and the new owners, the F. R. Campbell New York syndicate, are pushing work with a large force of men. Foreman J. E. Patterson, of the machinery department, was in from the mine yesterday and stated that the mine is now all dry, except the very lowest level, and that about 40 men are taking out fine ore. It is the intention of Manager McLain to have 10 additional stamps installed in the mill in a short time, thus making a battery of 20 stamps, and to have the new cyanide plant ready for operation in a few days. This machinery is now on the way, and when installed the force of men at the mine will have to be increased.

Eastern Men to Buy Placer Mine.

The noted Pete Mann placer mine in the Bonanza district will probably be sold within the next few days to an Illinois and New Jersey syndicate, headed by Charles Parker, of New York; W. R. Crawford, of Chicago, and E. S. Lewis, of Hoboken, N. J. This is one of the old-time placer mines of Eastern Oregon, and has been worked for a number of years. Several men have been negotiating with the owner, to purchase the mine, during the past six months.

THE OREGON PRUNE.

Contribution of a Salem Grower to a New York Paper.

The following article on "Oregon Prunes," by Henry A. Townsend, of Salem, appears in the current number of the Grocery World, a New York trade publication:

It is a good time to call attention to the fulfilment of my prediction that the crop of Oregon prunes would be much less than the early estimates. April frosts cut off some, and June frosts cut out another slice. A heavy drop still further decreased the expected output. Unfavorable drying weather in September and October diminished the yield of the region west of the Cascade Mountains. Finally, unusually good prospects for high prices of green fruit stimulated shipment of best prunes from regions east of the Cascades. What that country will yield dried is yet to be seen, as they are now drying, and bad weather may yet further decrease the yield. West of the mountains drying is over, and packing begun. Best of all reasons for a crop less than expected is that the capacity to produce of any orchard is probably less than the blossoms indicated and the heart of the owner desired. The crop of 1901 will not exceed that of 1898, the only one with which it may be compared to any considerable extent, certainly not nearly so much as three years of age added to the trees and orchards newly come to bearing would have promised. Less than 25,000,000 pounds is now indicated as the total of the Pacific and Northwest's production. This is also a statement of the railroad men who know what is moving and to be moved.

Oregon prunes will be better packed this year than ever, as some eight or 10 large, well-equipped packing plants are in operation, beside a large number of small houses with only grading machines and a few appliances for boxing the fruit. All the large houses will process their fruit, and will pack it so that it will appear more pleasing to the eye.

Oregon prunes should be better known and command better prices. As yet the majority of the people do not distinguish them from California prunes. Better packing will help some, and this year's low prices ought to stimulate wider consumption.

If Oregon prunegrowers would add some intelligent methods of advertising the produce and finding a place for it in new markets, perhaps the demands would so absorb the supply as to improve prices. One of the factors to this end will be the lessening of the acreage, as at present prices the owners of considerable orchards will give up the fight and cut down trees. It is also probable that the annual death rate of trees exceeds the number replanted and new acreage. Perhaps there is some hope for the future industry, but with occasional years of no crop, sometimes two in succession, and with an average price like that of the present year the prospect is not flattering for much profit.

Supreme Court Cases Set for Trial.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 15.—J. J. Murphy, Clerk of the Supreme Court, has arranged the calendar for the next two weeks, setting cases for hearing as follows:

State of Oregon ex rel. Thomas J. Hammer, respondent, vs. F. O. Downing, appellant; Thomas J. Hammer, respondent, vs. F. O. Downing and F. H. Hopkins, appellants (same case), motion to retax the costs, November 18.

Julia C. Richardson, appellant, vs. Bertrand Orth et al., respondent; Ella Rathbone, administratrix, respondent, vs. the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, November 21.

Amelia Jester, respondent, vs. Lipman, Wolfe & Co., appellants; Ada Bingham, respondent, vs. Lipman, Wolfe & Co., November 25.

V. B. Sears, executor of the estate of Isaac Bell, deceased, appellant, vs. J. M. Davis, Vironicy Davis and Francis Davis, respondents, November 26.

The Pacific Savings, Loan & Building Company, appellant, vs. J. L. Hill, respondent, November 27.

The following order was made today: S. Normile, respondent, vs. O. R. & N. Co., appellant; ordered on stipulation that respondent have until January 1, 1902, to serve and file his brief.

Nome Contempt Proceedings.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—The taking of testimony in the Nome contempt proceedings before United States Commissioner Heacock was practically ended today. There will be a short session tomorrow to close up the gaps. Argument will begin in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals Monday. No new or material facts were brought out today. Robert Chips, plaintiff in the case, around which all of the Nome troubles have encircled, was put on the stand late in the afternoon. He told of the night ride to the mine when McKenzie was made receiver by Judge Noyes. The witness said McKenzie told him before the appointment was announced that he expected to be appointed receiver.

McMinnville Brevities.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Nov. 15.—The annual Teachers' Institute for Yamhill County closed here this evening. It was one of the most interesting and profitable educational meetings ever held in the county.

The McMinnville National Bank has just installed a new Corliss Patent Spherical bank safe.

Woman Attempts Suicide.

ROSEBURG, Or., Nov. 15.—Effie McCulloch, aged 18, attempted suicide this afternoon. She shot herself through the left lung. Her recovery is doubtful. She was the consort of L. T. Welch, of Albany, who was jailed yesterday for adultery, on the complaint of his wife.

Automobiles for Long Beach.

ILWACO, Wash., Nov. 15.—The Long Beach Automobile Company is being organized here. The object of the company is to have a number of automobiles on the Washington beach resort next Summer. Ilwaco business men are the leading spirits in the enterprise.

City to Be Asked to Buy Light Plant.

DALLAS, Or., Nov. 15.—The City Council will be petitioned at its next meeting to purchase the electric light plant now operated by a local company. A petition to this effect is in circulation and is being generally signed.

Another Creamery for Corvallis.

CORVALLIS, Nov. 15.—Corvallis is to have a second creamery. The machinery arrived today, and H. W. Kaupisch, the promoter, says the plant will be in operation by December 10.

Received at the Asylum.

SALEM, Nov. 15.—G. W. James, aged 20 years, was today received at the Asylum from Coos County.

Records in the Mealey Case.

DES MOINES, Nov. 15.—Philip C. Hanna, Consul-General of the United States for Northern Mexico, received the records today in the celebrated Mealey case. He is urged to act promptly, and has accordingly hastened them to Washington with recommendations. He emphatically states there is a conspiracy to persecute Mealey, and that, unless the Government secures his release at once and obtains redress, the right of Americans will be jeopardized.

Offered Kruger Parliamentary Seat.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—The Evening News today says the Irish Nationalists have offered Mr. Kruger a safe Parliamentary seat in Ireland. They hold that in consequence of Lord Kitchener's proclamation, Mr. Kruger is de facto a British subject.

Biliousness, dizziness, nausea, headache, are relieved by small doses of Carter's Little Liver Pills.

INSANE MAN KILLED HIM

OFFICER FATALLY WOUNDED HIS ASSAILANT BEFORE HE FELL.

Crazy Man Also Shot a Friend—Tragedy Occurred in the Heart of Cosmopolis.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Nov. 15.—County Commissioner Silas Smith, who is also Marshal of Cosmopolis, three miles from here, was shot and killed this afternoon by an insane man named Yourex. Constable C. Y. Fenwick, of this city, who is also the agent of the Ship-Owners' Union, was fatally wounded in the stomach by Yourex.

Fenwick had brought Yourex from his home at North River to Cosmopolis for examination, and was turning him over to Marshal Smith when the tragedy occurred. It was not known that Yourex was armed until he produced a revolver and flourished it. When an attempt was made to disarm him, he fired at Smith, the bullet entering the heart. Yourex then turned the weapon upon Fenwick. Fenwick, after being shot, drew his own weapon and shot Yourex in the arm, and struck him over the head, fracturing the skull. Both Fenwick and Yourex will die.

All the men concerned have families. Yourex is said to have been an inmate of an asylum some time ago, and recently has caused his family and neighbors trouble. Smith was about 55 years old and much respected. Fenwick is about 40 years old, and Yourex the same age.

The shooting occurred on Main street in Cosmopolis, and caused great excitement there and in this city, Smith and Fenwick being well known on account of their long residence in the community.

RUINED TEMPLES OF JAVA.

Frank G. Carpenter's letter in tomorrow's Oregonian is well worth reading. He describes the Ruined Temples of Java, which he declares are greater than the Pyramids.

END OF DELAYS IN SIGHT.

Work on the Capitol Annex Will Go Right Ahead From Now On.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 15.—Work on the Capitol annex has not progressed as rapidly recently as heretofore, but it is certain not to be delayed to any appreciable extent from now on. J. A. Jack, of Seattle, representing the American Bridge Company, of Minneapolis, Minn., and F. T. Crowe, of Tacoma, representing the Expanded Metal Fireproof Company, of Chicago, were in consultation with Architect Richie today in regard to furnishing the structural iron and the fireproof metal necessary. The Goss Construction Company has entered into contracts with these companies to furnish these materials, subject to the approval of the architect. Mr. Richie is going over the contracts, which will, in all probability, be approved within a few days, and the order for the iron and fireproof material placed with these firms, which it is expected they will be able to deliver in six weeks.

Important Supreme Court Ruling.

The Supreme Court today made a ruling that will be of general interest throughout the state. In the case of Gustave A. Nelson, appellant, vs. D. T. Denny et al., respondents, from King County, the court holds that an appeal from an order of the lower court vacating a judgment cannot be taken, as it is not an appealable matter. The opinion states:

"It has been suggested that this court has several times entertained appeals from an order vacating judgment, but in all those cases, with one exception, the question was not raised by the respondents, and the cases were disposed of on their merits in favor of the respondents. So that it was not necessary to pass upon the question of whether the order was appealable, even if it had been called to the attention of the court. Appeal dismissed."

Condition of Man Who Was Shot.

Oscar Jacobson, who was shot through the lung on Thursday morning by Harry Crowhurst, is resting easily at St. Peter's Hospital. The physicians think the outlook favorable, but state that in gunshot wounds of this nature it is too early to predict the ultimate result of the shot. Meanwhile, the patient's breathing has improved somewhat over yesterday.

ST. JOHN DIX OUT ON BAIL.

Washington Bank Wrecker Again Brought Up in Court in London.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—H. St. John Dix was brought up on remand at the Bow-Street Police Court today, charged on a provisional warrant with larceny committed in the United States, and was again remanded for a week. The prisoner was represented by Hon. Charles Russell, who made a strong plea for bail on the ground that his client was a British subject, and that he had never been naturalized in the United States. The officials of the United States Embassy ordered the prisoner's release on bail, saying that the papers were expected here by December 5. The prosecution believes that Dix's real name is Jenkins, that he was engaged in literary work in America under the name of Henry St. John, and that he subsequently added the name of Dix when he started in business as a banker.

Among the papers secured at the time of the prisoner's arrest was a dishonored draft for $3000 drawn on New York and signed "John Bruce." The prisoner denied all knowledge of the draft, and said he had never seen it. It was apparently drawn by his attorney, Mr. Bruce, with whom he was domiciled in London.

It is alleged that H. St. John Dix obtained control of three banks in the State of Washington in 1900 and that he subsequently wrecked the Scandinavian-American Bank at Whatcom, Wash., and disappeared with over $8000.

Dix was arrested in London November 8 and remanded after formal evidence of his arrest had been presented. Some weeks previous to Dix's being taken into custody the authorities of Scotland Yard informed the officials of the United States Embassy that Dix was available if required. The usual inquiries were instituted, and the authorities at Tacoma sent a request for Dix's arrest.

LIFE ONE OF GREAT HARDSHIP.

Explorer Returns from a Five Years' Stay in the Arctic.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Nov. 15.—The schooner Anaconda arrived today, 33 days from Cape Nome, bringing as a passenger Captain Charles A. F. Brouard, from Point Hope. Captain Brouard has spent five years in the Arctic on a prospecting and exploring expedition. He sailed from San Francisco five years ago on the whaler Beanga, and since that time he has visited all the sections from Kotzebue Sound to the shores of the Arctic Ocean, and has compiled a chart of the coast from Kotzebue Sound to Point Hope. Captain Brouard, for many years, was an ensign in the French Navy.

Life in the Arctic is one of many hardships, according to Captain Brouard, and during his long stay in the north he had many escapes from death by starvation, and from the effects of blizzards. While on an exploring expedition in company with a few Eskimos, 150 miles north of Kotzebue Sound, his provisions gave out, and for five months he had to depend on game for subsistance, as no supplies could be obtained, and during that time, the party lived on seal meat and fish straight. He was caught in a blizzard when the supply of seal meat was exhausted, and for five days he subsisted upon dried sealskins, which was cut in strips and soaked in water until the hair came off. The strips were then boiled so it could be chewed. For drink cayenne pepper in hot water had to suffice. After the blizzard subsided, the party succeeded in reaching Mission Station at Point Hope, and during a blinding snow storm the men came to a cabin occupied by fur men, and were refused shelter, but Captain Brouard, at the point of a pistol, compelled the inmates to allow the party to remain over night.

According to Captain Brouard, from the northern shores of Kotzebue Sound to the Arctic Ocean, a distance of 300 miles, there is one immense bed of bituminous coal. He says there is enough coal in sight to supply the world for many years. It is of but little value for steaming purposes, but for household use it is all right. He predicts that in the near future there will be a fleet of colliers carrying that coal to the market. It can be mined at little expense.

Captain Brouard brings the report of a rich quartz find at Petmageya, 160 miles northeast of Point Hope. The quartz is reported to assay $30 to the ton. He says the next year's stampede will be for that place. On his way to Nome he visited Teller. He says that place has been deserted, and no white man remains to tell of its past greatness.

Eskimos have taken possession of the place and are packing off everything movable.

The Anaconda sailed from Nome October 16, and on the way down experienced a succession of gales. On several occasions she barely escaped being wrecked. Twice the little craft was thrown on her beam ends, and once she was caught in a whirlwind which carried away her fore rigging. The whirlwind lasted 10 to 15 minutes, and the vessel was spun around like a top. The rigging was repaired, but when in the vicinity of Cape Flattery another storm was encountered, and the craft again lost a portion of her rigging.

Captain Brouard left this evening for Fort Flagler, where he will be a guest of Captain Wilson, post commander, for a few days.

Goldsborough Failed.

SEATTLE, Nov. 15.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer from Bremerton says:

The torpedo-boat Goldsborough failed to make the required time in her trial trip today. The test was not official. The weather was unfavorable, and the quality of coal used was inferior, but she succeeded in making 27 knots an hour with her propeller going 300 revolutions a minute. The trip was uneventful until on nearing the navy-yard there was some failure in the signals, and she ran into the ordnance wharf, tearing away 15 piles and completely smashing her slender bow. It is doubled back upon the hull.

An Unusual Rainbow.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Nov. 15.—An unusual sight was witnessed here tonight at 8 o'clock in the way of a rainbow. The night was unusually dark, and a rainbow with all the colors visible, though dim, made its appearance in the north. The bow was complete, the circle apparently extending from a point in the Straits of Fuca to a point in Puget Sound. Simultaneous with the appearance of the rainbow a strong gale which had been blowing all the afternoon ceased as if by magic.

Teachers' Examination.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 15.—The regular teachers' examination is in progress at the office of County School Superintendent Evans. There are 26 applicants for certificates, 20 of whom are taking special examinations in the higher branches for raising their present grade.

Oregon Mining Stock Exchange.

Yesterday's quotations:

	Bid.	Asked.
Adams Mountain	2½	4
Astoria-Melbourne (guaranteed)	15½	25
Buffalo	2½	2¾
Copperopolis	15½	20
Champion	27½	50
Caribou	1½	2½
Gold Hill & Bohemia	6½	9½
Huronian	5½	7
Lost Horse	2½	2½
Oregon-Colorado M. M. & D.	24½	26½
Riverside	3½	4
Sumpter Consolidated	2½	4
Sales:		
1500 Caribou	2	
1000 Lost Horse	1½	
500 Lost Horse	2	
5000 Lost Horse	2½	
600 Lost Horse	2¾	
1000 Copperopolis	15	

SPOKANE, Nov. 15.—The closing quotations of mining stocks today were:

	Bid.	Ask.		Bid.	Ask.
Amer. Boy	9½	12	Morrison	1½	2½
Blacktail	8½	9½	Prin. Maud	2½	2½
Crystal	7	9	Quilp	20	22
Deer Trail	2½	2½	Ramb. Car	48½	50½
Gold Ledge	1½	1½	Republic	3½	4½
L. P. Surp.	4½	4½	Reservation	5½	5½
L. Dreyfus	3½	5½	Sullivan	9½	10½
Min. Lion	22½	23½	Tom Thumb	13½	14½
Morn. Glory	1½	2½			

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—Official closing quotations of mining stocks:

Andes	$0	03	Occidental Con	$0	05
Belcher		5	Ophir		77
Best & Belcher		17	Overman		6
Caledonia		28	Potosi		4
Challenge Con		15	Savage		5
Chollar		5	Sag. Belcher		2
Confidence		70	Sierra Nevada		10
Con. Cal. & Va.	1	60	Silver Hill		32
Crown Point		3	Standard	3	25
Gould & Curry		8	Union Con		13
Hale & Norcross		18	Utah Con		1
Mexican		18	Yellow Jacket		12

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

Adams Con	$0	20	Little Chief	$0	12
Alice		43	Ontario	9	50
Breece	1	00	Ophir		73
Brunswick Con		10	Phoenix		7
Comstock Tunnel		6	Potosi		4
Con. Cal. & Va.	1	55	Savage		5
Deadwood Terra		50	Sierra Nevada		8
Horn Silver	1	90	Small Hopes		40
Iron Silver	1	60	Standard	3	75
Leadville Con		5			

BOSTON, Nov. 15.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 2	00	Old Dominion	$ 20	75
Allouez	4	50	Osceola	99	00
Amalgamated	87	75	Parrott	38	50
Baltic	48	00	Quincy	155	00
Bingham	29	50	Santa Fe Cop.	4	12
Cal. & Hecla	655	00	Tamarack	275	00
Centennial	17	50	Trimountain	43	00
Copper Range	60	50	Trinity	27	00
Dominion Coal	47	00	United States	13	50
Franklin	16	00	Utah	22	50
Isle Royale	28	50	Victoria	7	00
Mohawk	41	62	Wolverines	57	50

THAT LONG BEACH FIRE

AN EXCELLENT CHANCE FOR SOME DETECTIVE WORK.

It Seems Certain That a Firebug of Mean Instincts Inhabits the Seaside Resort.

LONG BEACH, Wash., Nov. 15.—There is work for a detective at Long Beach. That the place is the home of firebugs now seems certain, not the kind who burn their own buildings to collect the insurance, but of the sneaking kind that in the dead of night destroy their neighbor's house, either to secure revenge for a real or imaginary wrong, or to ruin a successful business competitor. But which? That is the question, the solution of which would solve the problem and possibly lead the detection and conviction of the guilty persons. In the meantime, the residents of the place are greatly alarmed; insurance is more difficult than ever to obtain, many policies are being cancelled, and no one knows whose property may be the next to go up in smoke.

During the past few years Long Beach has been visited by five large fires, all of which originated mysteriously. The Biscoe, the Stout and Tinker's hotels were destroyed by fire; last year Jeff Nye's saloon was burned to the ground, and on last Monday morning the Crystal Baths and an adjoining residence were destroyed with greater portion of their contents. All investigations that have been made regarding this latest fire indicate that it was a case of incendiarism, but as yet no tangible proof against the guilty persons has been discovered, although certain ones are more or less under suspicion.

The fire was discovered by Postmaster McKenna about 2:30 on Monday morning. It was located in the southeast corner of the second story of the building and near a window that opened onto a platform, to which were steps from the ground. It is supposed the incendiary entered the building that way. Although an alarm was given, and the residents responded quickly, they were unable to check the flames, and both structures were totally destroyed. All that was saved was a quantity of household goods from the residence.

The bath-house was owned by Frank Canaris and C. W. Farrell, and was erected a year ago at a cost of $2000. It was a two-story building and contained a cement swimming pool, 25x60 feet. There were also five porcelain bathtubs, shower baths, boilers for heating purposes and pumping machinery necessary to bring the water from the ocean. Stored in the building were a large quantity of household goods and clothing belonging to the proprietors and their families, and valued at about $1000. The dwelling that was burned was worth about $500. The only insurance was $2000 on the bath-house and its contents. Neither of the buildings had been occupied since the middle of September, and Mr. Farrell states that there were no matches, oil or other combustible matter left in either, from which the fire could have started. He is convinced that the fire was of incendiary origin, but would give no intimation as to whom, if any one, he suspected as guilty of the crime.

When asked if he would rebuild, Mr. Farrell said it was doubtful. The firm did a lucrative business last season and preparations were being made to enlarge the building and add another pool before Spring, but this loss has crippled them financially, and while, Mr. Farrell says, friends have already offered to join with him in rebuilding, he does not feel safe in investing more capital there until after these firebugs have been apprehended.

Among all the institutions of its kind at the beach last season the Crystal Baths secured the cream of the trade, and there is a belief among many of the residents that this fact is responsible to some extent for its destruction.

TO BOOM ALL-AMERICAN TRAIL.

Valdes Will Probably Send a Delegation to Washington, D. C.

SEATTLE, Nov. 15.—The Times prints the following from Valdes, Alaska:

The work on the all-American trail from this place to the Yukon has ceased for the Winter, and there is some fear here that this work is likely to be suspended or abandoned if Congress does not make an appropriation to complete it.

A roadway is absolutely necessary to the opening up of the great interior of Alaska. Through Port Valdes is the only known gateway or entrance to the interior of the country that is open the entire year. Under ordinary circumstances the building of roadways would be left to private enterprise, but this is essentially a public work, and there is no means of deriving any revenue therefrom except through the Government. In the work already projected and partly completed under the supervision of Major W. R. Abercrombie, about $193,000 has been expended; $50,000 in exploration work, and the remainder on the trail.

The citizens have held a meeting, and will probably send a comittee to Washington in the interest of the work.

Looking for Location for Factory.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Nov. 15.—Messrs. D. M. and C. Gerber, of Fremont, Mich., were here this week inspecting timber land. Some time ago G. Kempf, of Michigan, was here and purchased several large bodies of timber in Lewis and Pacific Counties, and as a result of the visit of the Gerbers here this week they will buy a half interest in the lands. The gentlemen went from here to Houlton, Or., where they will look up some more timber land in which they may take an interest. D. M. Gerber is interested in the fruit basket business in Michigan, and is looking up a location for such an enterprise on this Coast.

Centralia Brevities.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Nov. 15.—The two large turbine water wheels for the power plant of the Centralia Electric & Power Company have arrived, and will be put in position at once. The City Council has allowed the company further time, or until November 20, to have its plant in operation.

Primaries will be held here on November 20 for selecting delegates to the city convention, which is called for November 27, when a citizens' ticket will be placed in nomination. It is not known at this time whether there will be an opposition ticket.

Lands Just Thrown Open in Demand.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 15.—About 150 people appeared at the United States Land Office today to make entry on the new land of the Olympic forest reserve thrown open to settlement. Both timber and homestead entries were made, but mostly the former. This does not include a large number of applications by mail through the United States Commissioner. About 50,000 acres are included in the tract thrown open to settlement.

Sporting Writer Asphyxiated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—Daniel McLaughlin, a sporting writer, formerly of Chicago, and more recently employed on the Los Angeles Herald, was accidentally asphyxiated in his room in this city last night, and is now in the receiving hospital in a precarious condition. He was specially engaged to assist Lou Houseman, the sporting editor of the Chicago Inter-Ocean, in reporting the Jeffries-Ruhlin prize fight, which took place in this city tonight.

Fruit Shipments From Sacramento.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Nov. 15.—Sacramento continues to be California's center for the shipment of fresh delicious fruits. The total number of cars that left here during the season just closed was 6272. Of these 5255 went directly East. Several carloads were sent to England, and there were shipments to Germany, France and Canada. The shipment of oranges from this point will begin in a short time.

Death of R. C. Stevens.

SEATTLE, Nov. 15.—R. C. Stevens, general Western passenger agent of the Great Northern Railroad, died today as the result of a severe cold contracted while attending the Duke and Duchess of York festivities at Victoria.

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