

HELD FOR KIDNAPING

MAN SAID TO HAVE TRIED TO CARRY OFF A YOUNG GIRL.

Charged With Trying to Enter Her Room at Night—Parents Aroused—Intruder Captured.

GRANT'S PASS, Dec. 25.—Joseph C. Coeyman, of Gold Hill, was given a preliminary hearing yesterday in the Justice Court of this city, on the charge of attempted kidnaping of Florence Kesteren, an 11-year-old girl who resides with her parents in Grant's Pass. Coeyman was bound over to await the next term of the Oregon Circuit Court. Failing to furnish the \$500 bonds required, he was placed in jail.

About 11 o'clock Sunday night, the parents of Florence Kesteren were awakened by the noise of some one entering the house. Mr. Kesteren arose and going outside found a man attempting to enter his daughter's room by a ladder placed against the side of the house. The man attempted to escape, but Kesteren caught him and turned him over to the officers. The fellow gave his name as Joseph C. Coeyman, and that he was attempting to enter the room for the purpose of stealing the little girl. People here who know the man, say his name is not Coeyman, but that it is Joseph Merrill.

HANGED HERSELF.

Woman at Insane Asylum Committed Suicide in Her Room.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 25.—Mrs. Mary Faltine committed suicide at the asylum this evening by hanging herself. She had just been placed in her room, when she made a rope from bedsheet and hanged herself to the window-guard. This is an unfortunate event, which could be averted unless an attendant were employed for each patient who had suicidal propensities. Mrs. Faltine was 23 years old, and her home is in Keasbey, Columbia County.

Stolen Overcoat Found on a Hobo.

A valuable overcoat belonging to Frank Toledo was stolen from a Salem lodging-house this afternoon. The coat was reported to the police this evening, and Police-men Lewis and Murphy went in search of the thief. They rounded up a gang of hobos just leaving the city and found the overcoat on one of them. It took just an hour to hunt down the thief, and there is reason to believe that this gang is responsible for some other thefts that have been perpetrated here lately.

Warrant for a Well-Known Man.

A warrant was issued from Justice O'Rourke's court today, charging "Bill" Anderson with assault upon William Roach. Both men are well known in Salem.

LANE COUNTY ASSESSMENT.

Value of Taxable Property for 1900 is \$5,400,853.

EUGENE, Dec. 25.—Assessor Burton has just finished writing up the assessment roll of Lane County for 1900, a summary of which follows:

113,388 acres taxable land	\$1,151,384
1,853,381 acres non-taxable land	1,853,381
Improvements on lands	366,940
Taxes and city charges	366,940
Improvements on town and city lots	58,112
Improvements on land not deeded or patented	37,765
Railroad bed, 74.30 miles	221,700
Railroad rolling stock	37,960
Telephone and telegraph lines, 190.65 miles	17,770
Merchandise and stock	305,120
Farming implements and vehicles	154,039
Stables, stationary engines, etc.	11,140
Money, notes and accounts	501,239
Shares of stock	85,505
Household effects	228,579
2,213 horses and mules	186,725
25,545 cattle	322,225
25,545 sheep	39,325
8,801 swine	10,429
8,802 goats	20,475
Gross value of all property	\$6,557,443
Exemptions	\$1,156,590
Net value of all property	\$5,400,853

TRAPPER IS MISSING.

He Has Not Been Seen for a Month—Some Suspect Foul Play.

NORTH YAKIMA, Dec. 25.—A. C. Kesling, a trapper on the Big Kllickitat River, near Mount Adams, brought word here today that T. W. Rathbun, a fellow trapper, has been lost in the mountains since November 13. On the 15th he tramped on snowshoes 35 miles across the snow to Tampion, in the upper Ahtanum Valley, for some provisions. He obtained these and started back. This was his last seen of him. Kesling went to his cabin on December 5, but no trace of him could be found. Kesling did not come to town, because he thought Rathbun had decided to stay in the valley. It is supposed that the missing man either perished from exposure or died from the accidental discharge of his rifle.

Rathbun is known to have received mail from C. W. Rathbun, Lord, Cal. Some suspect that he has been foully dealt with, as he had sold some furs and carried a small sum of money.

MUCH RAILWAY LAND SOLD.

Thirty Sections in the North Yakima Valley Change Hands in a Week.

NORTH YAKIMA, Dec. 25.—Within the last few days several large tracts of land have been taken by the Northern Pacific Railway Company in the Horse Heaven country. The land is to be used for wheat-raising, and sells for \$2 to \$3 an acre. J. L. Gillette, of Cheney, bought 8600 acres, and Doman Bros., of Pata, Idaho, bought 13 sections. The sales of the week amount to about 30 sections.

LARGEST IN THE COUNTRY.

The Congdon hay warehouse, just completed here, is believed to be the largest building of the kind in the country. It will hold 1500 tons of baled hay and 100 tons of loose hay, besides having large stable room. It is under construction. It required 70,000 feet of lumber.

ENDED HER OWN LIFE.

Portland Woman Loved Another Whom She Believed to Be a Boy.

SEATTLE, Dec. 25.—Dolly Quappe took a dose of carbolic acid and died from its effects this afternoon. She loved Neil Pickersell, whom she believed to be a boy. The Pickersell girl was engaged in men's clothing and has won the hearts of several susceptible girls. The Quappe girl had worked here as a waitress. She came here from Portland where her mother lives, at 625 South Seventh street.

INDEPENDENCE, SEVENTH.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Dec. 25.—A. J. Goodman, of this city, manager of the R. M. Wade Company, and Hon. Ira Smith, of Monroe, are the principals in one of the largest general stores at Vale, Malheur County, and will take possession the first of the year. Mr. Smith will have charge of the store.

TO REPRESENT WALLA WALLA.

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 25.—James McCoy, Elmer Tash and Galus Greenleaf will represent Walla Walla in the debate between the high school of this city and that of Spokane, on the evening of January 2. The annexation of Cuba by the United States will be the question discussed.

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GORMAN ACCURATELY READ

One of the Worst Men in American Public Life.

Chicago Record-Herald.
Gorman as a rebuilder of the Democratic party and Presidential candidate is a far more incredible figure than Albiged, barring his birth, would be in the same imaginary role.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 15.—(Special

correspondence.)—At last, we are enabled to install our exhibits. When the delegates were here last August by invitation of the exposition management, to look over the ground and select our respective spaces, I told them that they did not have room enough to accommodate all exhibits sure to come at the last minute, which I proved a fact, and by reason of which new buildings had to be planned and erected, which caused a delay, not to the liking of any of us.

The space originally selected in the agricultural palace was had to vacate, as this palace proved too small for those who intended to make composite exhibits and for the state exhibits of South Carolina, and the building was finally given to the state for its numerous county exhibits. A large wing had to be added to this palace for Oregon, Louisiana, Florida, Georgia, New Mexico, Missouri and Illinois, giving a much more advantageous space than originally allotted to us, with a frontage of 23 feet by a depth of 23 feet and corresponding wall space, a grand total of 10,000 square feet, which will enable us to make a fine display of our agricultural, horticultural, mineral and forestry exhibits.

Although the roof is not yet completed, nor the walls plastered, we have half of our exhibits in place, and are anxious to get everything in order for the holidays, when large crowds are expected.

Right here I want to say a word about the incompleteness of an exposition on opening day, as there is no other one thing which acts more detrimental to its success; and there is no good reason why every building should not be ready, and ever exhibited in its entirety, at the appointed time, as it shows a lack of management and executive ability, which is unpardonable in an enterprise of this nature. The Trans-Mississippi Exposition held at Omaha, four years ago, was the only one to open in its entirety on the day of opening, and stands today alone, a monument of perfect success financially, socially and commercially. Those who will at the head of our Lewis and Clark Exposition should study this one question above all others. They should begin in time, and if they find that 1000 men cannot get it ready in time, then employ 15,000, and be ready when the gates are swung open on the appointed day for the reception of visitors, and when the button is touched to start in motion the machinery.

I will not enter into a description of the South Carolina Exposition at this time, beautiful and grand as it is in conception, architectural and otherwise, but leave this for the time when everything is in place and ready to open. For at present one single exhibit is completed, in fact, the cars containing the Government exhibits arrived only today. By the way, our old friend, Mr. Eugene, formerly of Portland, is in charge of the Weather Bureau exhibits, and calls on us daily for his Oregonian and Evening Telegram, and we are always pleased to see his smiling countenance.

I am writing in the throes of a "norther," as they call it here, and presume it is, that we should not be out of touch with the weather of the country we had of Rocky Mountains. Up to Sunday we had delightful weather, almost too warm and humid. Monday, however, the thermometer dropped to 19 degrees above; yesterday morning at 6:30 it stood at 10 degrees, which I am informed is the coldest weather ever experienced in this region; today it was only down to 13 degrees, with a rising indication. The weather, however, is not so bad as it was yesterday, which is to be hoped, as nobody is at work. Ice formed on the pools three-quarters of an inch thick, and the beautiful scenery of the mountains and the thousands of pickaninnies, most of them barefooted, trotting along shivering as they sing or whistle, on their way to school or errand, make the scene a picture of a situation over which they have no control. By nature the negro is a contented person, and with the exception, perhaps, of his music, there is no being on earth quite so completely at rest as a negro sunning himself—a picture not readily transferred to canvas.

The Oregon delegation here join in sending happy Christmas greetings to all Oregonians.

Irishmen Talk the Better English.