

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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MR. KAMM READY TO BUILD.—Jacob Kamm is contemplating putting up a brick building on his valuable quarter block at the northeast corner of First and Washington streets. He has had several applications to lease a building there, if he would put it up, but the amount of rent offered so far has hardly been up to his ideas. He says that as soon as he is offered enough to justify him in putting up a handsome building, he will build. The property has been lying practically idle for a long time, although the old buildings on it have been sold in a very fair rental in proportion to their value. There is a little story connected with Mr. Kamm's long delay in improving this property. Until lately he owned only three-fourths of the quarter block, 100 feet on First street by 75 feet on Washington. The 25-foot strip on the east side of the property occupied by Thomas Johnson's plumbing shop, being owned by Mrs. W. P. Burke. Mr. Kamm naturally desired to own this strip to give him a whole quarter block, and if he could have secured it, he would have built there years ago. His desires were, however, well understood by the owner of the strip, and the price was gauged accordingly. He was asked \$3500 for the strip and would not buy. Some time after he would have paid \$1000, but was asked \$2000, and so continued to wait a while longer, and about two years ago he purchased the strip for \$500. Now he is ready to put up a handsome building, as soon as he can secure a satisfactory offer for the rental of it. There is another valuable quarter block on First street, at the northeast corner of Morrison, occupied by the ruinous old Occidental Hotel. It is owned by S. Smith, an old-time citizen, who cannot much longer delay the erection of a building there suited to the importance of the locality.

TWO FAMILIES WITH SMALLPOX.—Occasional arrivals of persons affected with smallpox in this city have kept the pest-house supplied with inmates all winter. One of the number who had been cured, and it was hoped that soon the place might be closed. The arrival of a family of five from Montana, a few days ago, who have developed smallpox since their arrival, has again swelled the number of inmates, and yesterday it was discovered that a family of five residing in Sunny-side, who have been under treatment for chickenpox, have developed smallpox. The Health Department has taken prompt action in both cases, and the buildings in which both families have been residing have been thoroughly fumigated, which has almost entirely stopped the spread of the disease. Smallpox is far from being the dread disease it used to be in these days of vaccination and fumigation. Not a death has occurred among all the cases treated by the health department. Zan this winter, and many of them have been discharged without showing any traces of the disease in the form of pitting, the disfiguration which formed one of its old-time terrors.

WHERE COUGARS ARE PRESENT.—A party of timber-land dealers just in from the mountains some 20 miles out from Gate City report that they have seen very numerous in that section. The woods are literally full of them, and they are frequently seen during the day, and also the blood-stained snow in many places shows where they have been. But the worst feature of the brutes is their habit common to the feline races, of crawling at night. A pair of these animals growling and crawling in the back yard of one's camp all night is no joke. The party was composed of eight men, all accustomed to life in the woods, but they say, were never so badly frightened before in all their experience as they were during their last trip. Their hair stood erect on their heads and the blood coursed in their veins as the murderous "cougars" fit and scratched and bit and struggled in the mud, till all the ground for miles around was covered with their blood. Deer are becoming plentiful in the mountains again, and the cougar is living high, and feeling good.

DANTE GOES BELOW.—C. J. Dante, not the man who wrote the famous "Inferno," again made his appearance yesterday before Municipal Judge Cameron, charged with vagrancy. The defendant declared that he was seen roaming the streets, without any visible means of support, and would not go to his home late at night when he was asked to open the door. "I was out seeing a friend away and began Dante. You know what the Court told you the last time you were here, that the time had arrived when you would be punished by the Judge. But Judge—Dante arrived to say, "Thirty days in jail. Take him back," was the Judge's decision.

JOKE ON MARY'S GOERS.—A half dozen young men found yesterday afternoon as the crowd was pouring out from the performance at the Marquam. They stood on the sidewalk at the exit of the building with their umbrellas raised although there was no rain. The women coming out gazed upon the raised umbrellas and naturally supposed that they were to be treated to a shower. When they put up their "rain-sticks" and the curb-side jokers began to laugh they discovered their mistake. Some gave the boys a freezing stare, but most of them appreciated the joke and joined in the laugh.

DIABETES COMING IN A BODY.—J. W. Bailey, Dairy and Food Commissioner, has received a copy of the proceedings of the session of the Old-Fashioned Pure Food Convention at Buffalo last October. Mr. Bailey is a member of the executive committee of the association. He has received letters from the secretary of the association, saying that many of the members of the body will leave Chicago together, to attend the annual meeting at Portland July 8, 9 and 10. The members intend to come by one railroad and return by another.

ANTI-DOG-POISONING MEETING.—There will be a meeting of dog owners tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the office of S. C. Spencer, 723 Chamber of Commerce building. The object of the meeting is to form an association to protect the dogs from thieves and poisoners. All persons who are owners of dogs and are interested in their welfare are requested to be present at the meeting. A large attendance is desired so that a good start may be made at the outset.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED.—The annual election of the directors of the Odd Fellows Hall Association was held Tuesday night. The following officers were elected: President, Richard Scott; treasurer, Charles Heggie; secretary, A. S. Gambell; directors, R. Scott, S. W. Stryker, W. L. Lightner, Charles Heggie, S. Krutz, H. M. Beckwith and C. A. Dolph.

FIRE STOCK SALE at 21 Stark continues at 10 A. M. today. Men's, women's and children's shoes, groceries, etc.

GUN TO SAVE PEOPLES' LIVES.—Fire-Chief Campbell has been presented with a life-line gun, which is considered a necessary attachment to the fire department of every large city. The gun, which is something new on the coast, resembles an old army carbine. By means of a brass dart, it will send a light line over a nine or 10-story building, and the occupant of a burning structure will have a chance to escape by pulling up a strong rope and making its fastenings good. Chief Campbell has not yet received the darts for the gun, and when he has them practicing at perpendicular marks will be begun, as to preparing the men for such high-story conflagrations as the Brown building fire.

LENTEN SEASON BEGINS.—The Lenten season began yesterday, Ash Wednesday service being held in the Episcopal and Catholic churches throughout the city. At a number of the churches, holy communion was celebrated. The Lenten season lasts 40 days, and is a time of abstinence on the part of many Christians. Lent ends on Easter Sunday, which comes this year on March 20. According to biblical traditions of the Catholics, Ash Wednesday is the day on which the church blesses ashes and places them on the heads of her children. The Lenten season is observed by many Catholics and Episcopalians, and the gay social pleasures are at a standstill for a time.

DATE GROW LONGER.—The lengthening of the days is growing very perceptible even if it is not possible to notice that the sun rises earlier every day and sets later. It was broad daylight yesterday close up to 6 P. M. Down East it is an old saying that "as the days grow longer the cold grows stronger." March being generally the coldest month in the year this winter, this old-time cold does not appear. It is not long now till March 21, the vernal equinox, when the sun will rise and set at 6 o'clock, and everything will be burning leaf and flower and Summer will practically have arrived. So there is no need of fretting if it rains occasionally.

WHO KNOW THESE PEOPLE?—Postmaster Crossman has received a request from Mrs. Elizabeth J. Doune, of Carson City, Fremont County, Colo., for information in regard to Felix and Henry Landers, who settled in or near Portland in 1847, or any of their descendants. The number of persons who settled in this region in 1847 is becoming small, but perhaps some one of these remaining may be able to furnish the desired information. If there are any of the descendants of the persons mentioned in this city or region, they will please write to Mrs. Doune.

THIEVES BREAK THROUGH AND STEAL.—Thieves broke into the premises of Universal Sash & Door Company, Front and Gibbs streets, Tuesday night, and walked off with workmen's tools valued at about \$5. An entrance was effected from the rear, and among the stolen things was a set belonging to a workman who had just joined the force at the factory. The police are working on the case.

GOOD ORDER IN CHRISTMAS.—The Christmas observance in this city was the good order preserved in their quarter during the New Year celebration. So said Back says, and they all feel very grateful to Chief McLaughlin and his force. There were no serious disturbances, and the great singer will be greeted with one of the most brilliant audiences that has ever crowded the Marquam. Nordica arrived in Portland yesterday morning and spent the day in rest in her private car, Brunhilde. She is said to be in excellent health and spirits.

FIRST FEBRUARY FIRE.—For the first time this month, there was an alarm of fire recorded yesterday at headquarters. Box No. 16 sent out a warning for a night chimney fire at 8:25 A. M. at Mrs. Mary Kitchner's house, Eleventh and Main streets. There was also a small alarm for a small fire at James Dowdell's house, Woodlawn.

ANNUAL G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.—The annual G. A. R. encampment for the Department of Oregon will be held in Astoria, July 4, 5 and 6. The Council of Administration is composed of the officers of the Department of Oregon and five delegates, presided over by J. A. Sladen, commander.

A MEETING OF THE RETAIL BUTCHERS' Board of Trade will be held at Forester's Hall, Sixth and Washington streets, on Thursday evening, February 13, at 8 P. M. Every retailer in the city of Portland is earnestly requested to be present.

HEEP HAD CHINESE.—Long Hong was caught begging yesterday at Fourth and East streets, and while being conveyed to the city jail by Jallor Roberts tried to conceal a piece of opium in his right boot.

VALENTINE MASQUERADE BALL Friday evening, February 15th, at the Union Hotel. Prizes by Meier & Frank window. Admission, 50c at the door. Portland Union, Order of Washington.

THROUGH THE AGENCY OF Maxwell & Knapp the Crowell property on the corner of Sixth and Oak streets was sold yesterday to the Baggage & Omnibus Co. Consideration \$20,000.

CONTINUANCE OF AUCTION SALE of fire stock at 21 Stark street, at 10 A. M. today. The stock has not yet been sold. Shoes will be sold today.

C. F. PEARSON, the painter, 86 First, removed to 25 Main, where orders will be received and satisfaction guaranteed.

GRANULATED SUGAR at auction sale of fire stock, 21 Stark, 10 A. M. today.

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DEVELOP COPPER MINES. NORTHWEST COMPANY NOW CONTROLLED BY ERIE, PA., CAPITAL. Receivership Ended and New Owners Will Begin Active Work on the Property. O. F. Paxton, as counsel for Charles W. Warner, of Erie, Pa., yesterday paid into the United States Court cash and receipts for cash to the amount of \$138,571, the price which Mr. Warner bid for the property of the Northwest Copper Company at receiver's sale in May, 1900, and the moneys expended by the receiver since that time for improvement of the mine and for the recovery of the Northwest Copper Company, and the property has been turned over to the new owners.

ALL GETTING NEW PIANOS. Doctors, Music Teachers, Editors and Insurance Men Take a Hand. A large number of pianos are now being sold daily at the great reorganization sale of Eilers Piano House, and some of the most costly instruments ever shown in Portland found home yesterday.

FEW DEMOCRATS SHOW UP. Meeting of City and County Committee Attract Starvation. The meeting of the Democratic City and County Central committee, which was to have taken place last night, was postponed, owing to the absence of a majority of the members. Only three committees were present: Senators Sweek and Inman were not heard from.

WILL OF LATE MRS. MYERS. Leaves Entire Estate of \$20,000 Unconditionally to Husband. The will of Sallie S. Myers, deceased, was admitted to probate yesterday in the County Court. The property was valued at \$25,000 and is divided between George Tobias Myers, Jr., knowing that my husband will care and provide for them.

THINKS HE HAS PAID ENOUGH. The suit of J. Adrian Epping against the Washington National Building & Loan Association, to compel the cancellation of a mortgage for \$1500 on property in Holladay's Addition, was tried before Judge George Epping yesterday. Epping contended that he paid \$184, which amounts to the face of the loan, and 6 per cent interest, which he said was the basis of the contract. The defendant, having received the principal and 6 per cent interest, but took the position that it is entitled to enforce the other provisions of the contract concerning premiums, and that the payments were all made voluntarily. William Reid and John Manning appeared as attorneys for Epping and W. A. Peters, a Seattle attorney, represented the defendant.

C. C. PALMER LOSES SUIT. A decision was rendered yesterday by Judge Frazer for the defendants in the case of C. C. Palmer vs. MacMaster & Birell, suit having been brought for an accounting of rents and profits of property at the foot of Madison street for a period of two years. About \$1000 is involved. Palmer bought the property at public sale for \$25,000. This took place two years ago, and Palmer sued to recover rents and profits during that time, the property having been redeemed by agents of the original owner, David Brand. The court stated that there was no equity in the petition of the plaintiff and that the claims were unjust.

ESTATE OF MRS. D. W. SAVAGE. William Bolles was appointed administrator and Mrs. Dora W. Savage administratrix of the estate of their mother, Harriet B. Bolles, deceased, valued at \$6000, in the County Court yesterday.

OLD LITIGATION IN NEW GARB. The City of Portland yesterday filed suit against the Oregon Real Estate Company to recover \$500 on account of the improvement of Grand avenue by repairing a bridge on the elevated roadway between East Everett and East Flanders streets,

IN THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR 1888. The suit is brought under the curative act of the present city charter, the Oregon Real Estate Company having previously endeavored to acquire the property, but it was inequitable and unjust. This case has been quiet in one form and another for several years.

MOORE CHARGED WITH LARCENY. Henry Moore, charged with larceny of a pair of trousers and a vest from a lodging-house, was arraigned before Judge Frazer yesterday and allowed until today to plead.

BURNING OF HAVANA. We received yesterday a large shipment of choice Havana goods, including Sanchez y Haya, Cuesta, Rey & Co., and Gatos "Mi Preferida." All three-for-a-half values, our price 10 cents straight. Handley & Kelly, 221 Washington street, Perkins Hotel building.

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