STREAM READY FOR SEA.

May Fleet Smaller Than Usual-Nomin Loses Two Sailors and Crew of Speke Refuses Duty.

The British ship Lord Shaftesbury fin-ished loading yesterday morning, and will, clear today for Queenstown or Falmouth for orders, with 131,623 bushels of wheat. She was dispatched by the Portland Flouring Milis Company, and is the last of a very small fleet to clear from Port-land this month, there being but two other ships preceding her. The departure of the Lord Shaftesbury leaves but one other ship in the river under engagement for wheatloading. This vessel is the mammoth Speke, which is now discharging ballast preparatory to taking in a cargo of wheat for South Africa. The repairs on the Asie have not yet reached a stage where she can be counted on as available for wheat until after new sesson, July Unless the Jacobsen, which is now due from France in ballast, shows up in a few days, or the Durbridge is brought around from Puget Sound, the prospects for very much of a grain fleet in June are not very bright.

is still enough wheat in the country to load several ships, if it all comes out before a new crop is available, but as it is in the hands of men who are financially able to hold it for an indefinite period, it may be carried well over into the new season before the price is satis-factory. There are fewer ships chartered for Midsummer loading than were engaged for that business last season, but there is a good-sized list of idle ships in San Francisco to draw on, and there is also a number of ships at or due at Hon-

#### SALE OF CHINA MUTUAL.

Fine Fleet of Steamers Changed Hands for About \$2,600,000. According to mail advices just received

Mutual Steam Navigation Co.'s fleet was £530,000, which is considered a moderate figure for such a fine fleet of vessels. In referring to the transfer, the Liverpool Journal of Commerce says:
"The ships of the China Mutual Com

pany are splendidly kept, and we do not know of any shipping company which maintains its ficet at so low an aver-age. In fact, the China Mutual Company has been selling ships of a more modern type than competitors have been build-As an evidence of the enterprise of the company we may mention the fact that there are three very large steamers -about 13,000 tons-now building, two at Belfast and one on the Clyde-and we be Heve another has since been ordered, which will be twin-screw, and the first one will be fitted for the consumption of liquid fuel, the others being so arranged that should the experiment prove a suc eas they can be converted to use oil in heir boilers at a small cost. The China Mutual Company has undoubtedly made the pace in the trade of the Far East, and it has deservedly succeeded under the very able and energetic direction of Mr. Guiland, managing director. The ships of the campany now leave Liverpool about every three weeks, sailing for China and Japan, thence crossing the North Pacific to Tacoma and Scattle. The Vancouver trade is a departure taken recently, and it promises to be a presperous one, the ships carrying large and important consignments of heavy materials for railway and other projects by this route. is somewhat remarkable that just at this time, the newly appointed chairman, Mr. George B. Dodwell, is on the Pacific Coast in the company's interest. As a matter of fact, the China trade has been run on conference lines for some years, and it is not likely that any change will be made in the freight rates if and when the absorption of the line by the Ocean Steamship Company takes place."

#### TROUBLE ON THE DEEP. Nomin Loses Two Sailors and Crew

of Speke Refuses Duty. down the river this morning after a delay of several days in securing sailors. time is the first ship to go out under the advanced rate of \$15 per man, due to the recent sailor boarding-house comb.nation, and has experienced considerable difficul-ty in getting away. Her crew were on board Sunday, but two of them eluded the vigilance of the watchmen and jumped over the side and swam ashore. They escaped, but a couple of others were put on board in their places, and the vessel will go down the river with a full

The big ship Speke, which arrived up Sunday night, is also having some trouble with her crew, although none of them are anxious to leave her, as by doing so they would forfelt a considerable sum in wages. They shipped at an Australian port for a three years' voyage, but on arrival at Portland six months afterward, the attractions of shore life proved so strong that they demanded their wages, and on refusal, they all quit work, the British law permits the shipowner to withhold six days' wages from a man for every day he refuses duty on board ship. used up all that is coming to them in sulking, they will probably be ready to go to work again, or else be kicked out on the beach to rustle.

#### FRENCH WHEAT SHIPS.

Chartering Freely for San Francisco, but Not for Portland.

The French ships which cut such an extensive figure in wheat freights out of Portland are not being chartered as free-ly this year as they were last, although quite a number of them are headed in this direction. So far as known, but two of them, the Cambronne and the Nantes. have been chartered for Portland loading, and the Nantes has the option of San Francisco. The Bay City exporters have been taking up a few of the bounty earners, and are paying full rates for them, the chempost reported for new crop load-ing being the Ville de Mulhouse at 28s. The MacMahon and Edmond Rostand were chartered at 28s 6d, the Bourbaki at 28s 9d, and the Jules Gommes and Blarritz at 22s. For spot loading a few of the French vessels have been taken at San Francisco as low as 22s 2d, and the lowest rate of the season from Portland was made by a French vessel, the Ernest Le Gouve, which was dispatched at 24s 6d.

#### TWO SAILORS LOST.

Atlantic Liner Kronprins, Wilhelm

Has a Stormy Passage. NEW YORK, May 27 .- The North German Lloyd steamer Kronprinz Wilhelm, which arrived today from Bremen, lost two soamen overboard on the voyage and four others had narrow escapes from a similar fate. Stormy weather was encountered during the latter part of the trip, and last Priday six sallors, while on the upper deck trying to close the two heavy iron doors, were caught in an enormous sea, which swept over the deck, Two of them were carried overboard and drowned. The slarm was given, and two life buoys were cast adrift. The vessel steamed about the buoys for an hour and a half before giving up search for the

W. K. Vanderbilt was among the pas-engers on the Kronprinz Wilhelm.

### EXPLOSION ON LAUNCH.

Candle Around Gasoline Works Injury to Man and Damage to Boat. ASTORIA, May 27.—An explosion oc-purred on the gasoline launch Independ-ence this afternoon while tied up at the Astoria Iron Works being repaired. A

BIG CARGO FOR EUROPE couple of men were working on the engine, one having a lighted candle in his hand when the explosion took place. The hands of one of the men, Charles Olsen. Jr., were badly burned, his face scorched and his harr burned off. The launch was hally were keep out of the launch was hally were keep out of the launch was badly wrecked and set on fire, it being necessary to call out the department to extinguish the flames

Deckhand's Leg Broken. As the steamer Lurline was making a landing at Cathlamet early this morning. Charles Rosse, one of the deckhands, jumped ashore to make a line fast to the wharf. He got the line over the kevel, but in doing so got his right foot entangled in it, and when the strain came on the rope the ankle was badly crushed.

He was brought to Astoria, where it was

found that the leg had been broken. Signal Station About Completed. The buildings being erected at North Head for a Government observatory and signal station will be completed this week. and as soon as the instruments are placed the reports of shipping at the mouth the river will come from there instead of from Fort Canby, as at present.

Manifest of North Bend. The manifest of the schooner North Bend, which crossed out for San Fran-ciaco yesterday, was filed at the Custom-House today. The vessel carries 450,000 feet of lumber loaded at the Knappton

#### STEAMER CAMANA SINKS. One of Columbia River Boat's Officers

Drowned. SPOKANE, Wash., May 27 .- A special to the Chronicle from Wenatchee says the steamer Camana was sunk in the Columbta River about noon today. L. B. Doval, one of the officers of the boat, was drowned, and it is reported a number of persons were injured. The boat was coming down the river, and is believed to have been loaded with wheat. At Entlat Raplus, about 20 miles above Wenatchee, it is supposed the boat got beyond control, struck a rock, tipped over and went down. The Camana is an old boat, and is the steamer which made a remarkable trip far up the Columbia a few weeks ago. The Entiat Rapids form a dangerous part

### CAMORTA'S SURVIVORS.

Twenty Saved and Over Seven Hundred Still Missing.

NAPLES, May 27.-The German steamer Koenig Albert, bound from Yokohama and Singapore for Hamburg, today landed at this port 30 survivors of the steamer

A dispatch received at London, May 14, from Rangoon, said that a lifeboat belonging to the steamer Camorta, overque at that port from Madras, had been picked up in the Bay of Bengal. It was believed that the steamer foundered dur-ing a cyclone on May 6. Besides her 60 passengers, who were natives of India, the Camorta had a crew of 89.

Will Lend to a Rate War.

LONDON, May 28.-The Daily Chronicle his morning says it has learned that Herr Ballin, General Director of the Hamburg-American steamship line, insists that the Morgan shipping syndicate shall give the outside Atlantic steamship lines a final opportunity to join the combination, failexistence. This threat, says the paper, is undoubtedly aimed at Elder, Dempater & Co., and is likely to lead to a severe rate war.

Steamer Sails From Tacoms. TACOMA, May 27.-The German steam ship Serapis, of the Kosmos line, will leave port tonight for Scattle and Fair-

haven. She loaded here for the Puget Sound Flouring Mill 4300 barrels of flour, valued at \$13,280. The steamer took out a permit this afternoon to sail. The tug Falcon was successfully launched last night from Crawford & Reld's shippard for the Tacoma Tug & Barge Company.

All the Yukon River New Clear. VICTORIA, B. C., May 27,-The steamer ports that navigation through Lake Lebarge has now started, and all the Yukon

Cherbourg Roads, constituting a serious

Torpedo-Bont Grounded. LONDON, May 27.-The British torpedo-

boat destroyer Recruit grounded on a rock off Cape Cornwall, about four miles north of Landsend, during a fog this morning, but was floated later in the day.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, May 27.—Salled at 11 A. M.—Steamer Alliance, for San Francisco, via coast ports. Salled at 3 P. M.—German ship Carl, for Isington. Condition of the bur at 5 P. M., smooth; wind northeast; wenther clear. Havre, May 27 .- Arrived-La Champagne, en, May 27.-Arrived-Kaiser Wilhelm

w York, May 27,-Arrived-Kronprinz Wilhelm, from Bremen, La Giscogne, from Havre.
Tacoma, May 27.—Arrived-United States
reveaus cutter Grant, from cruise. Sailed—
Schooner Philippine, for Honolalu, steamer
Dirigo, for Alaska; steamer South Portland,

for Seattle.

San Francisco, May 27.—Arrived—Steamer Queen, from Victoria; steamer Wyefield, from Nanaimo; steamer Newburg, from Gray's Harbor; steamer Telius, from Ladysmith; schoonbor; steamer Tellus, from Ladysmith; schooner Jestia, from Coos Bay; schooner Jennie, from Pairhaven. Salled-Steamer Charles Nelson, for Seattle: steamer Lucero, for Seattle. New York, May 27.—Arrived-Palatia, from Genon and Naples. Salled-Tauric, for Liverpool; Pennsylvania, for Hamburg, via Plymouth and Cherbourg.

Glasgow, May 27.—Arrived-Astoria, from New York.

Botterdam, May 27.—Arrived-Noordam, from New York.

Rotterdam, May 27 .- Arrived-Noordam, from

New York
Yokohama --Salled May 23-Empress of
Japan, from Hong Kong, for Vancouver.
Hamburg --Salled May 24-Prinzessen Victoria Luise, for New York,
Bromen.--Salled May 24-Barbarossa, for New
York, via Cherhoure. ork, via Cherbourg. London, May 27.—Arrived—Mesaba, from New

Philadelphia, May 27.-Arrived-Belgenland,

#### UNION MISSIONARY RALLY Congregational Church Workers Will Meet Today.

A union missionary raily of the Wom an's Home Missionary Union and Board of the Pacific of the Congregational Churches of Oregon will be held today at the First Congregational church, Park and Madison streets. The programme

Morning-10 o'Clock

Devetional service—Mrs. F. V. Jones.
Reports of and plans for Work—"Out Auxiliaries," Mrs. D. D. Clark; "Out Young People's Societies," Mrs. W. D. Palmer, "Our Oregon Branch Mission aries," Mrs. G. M. Farker; "Our Treasuries," Mrs. C. F. Clapp; "Mission Study," Miss M. F. Farnham.

Model Missionary Society," Mrs. Risser, "Question Box," Mrs. Caswell Broad. Luncheon and social season.

Afternoon-Si30 o'Clock. Devotional service—
Min. S. A. Arnold,
Address—Rev. C. F. Clapp,
A. Scripture exposition—'Paul's Spiritual Evolution,' Rev. L. P. Broad,
Vocal solo—Mrs. J. Frasier Watts,
Address—'Personal Experiences Among
the Miners,' Mrs. Caswell Broad,
Address—Rev. S. M. Frasiand.

#### ADDRESS TEACHERS

PROGRAMME FOR MEETING OF OR EGON STATE ASSOCIATION.

Session Will Continue Four Days at Eugene-Ohio Educator Among the Speakers.

SALEM, May 27.-State Superintendent Ackerman and President P. L. Camp-beil today completed the programme for the meeting of the State Teachers' Association to be held at Eugene June 25 to 25, inclusive. Presidents and members of college facultles and prominent education al workers of the state are scheduled for addresses and papers, and an interesting seasion is expected. The State Teachers' Association, the Department of Superintendence and the Department of Second ary and Higher Education will hold sim-ultaneous sessions during a part of the four days' meeting. The programme of the three separate departments is as appended:

WEDNESDAY EVENING. Addresses of welcome—On behalf of the city, Mayor G. R. Chrisman; on behalf of the City achoois, A. F. Bechdolt, Response—G. W. Denman, Corvallis, President's address—P. L. Campbell,

Reception-Fourth Regiment armory. THURSDAY FORENOON. Open exercises. "Co-ordination of Intellectual and Eth-ical Training in the Public School Cur-riculum," J. R. Wilson, Portland; W. C. Hawley, Salem.
"The Mission of the Elementary School," D. A. Grout, Portland; J. H. Orcutt,

'The Improvement of the Teaching Profession,' Hon. R. A. Booth, Eugene. AFTERNOON.

Opening exercises.
"Elements of Agriculture and Horticul-ire in the Elementary Schools," A. B. ordley, Corvallis; J. M. Martindale, Al-"Nature Study in Elementary Schools,"
A. R. Sweetser, Eugene.
"Discovery and History," H. S. Lyman,
Astoria; D. W. Jarvis, Fortland.
Recess. of the river, and it is doubtful if the steamer can be raised. Address-William I. Crane, Dayton, O. Lecture,

FRIDAY FORENOON. Opening exercises.
"The Advisability of Adding Grades
Above the Eighth," R. F. Robinson, Port-land; A. L. Briggs, Cottage Grove.
"The Functions of Symbols," Frank
Bigler, Portland; F. E. Young, Grant's "Departmental Work in Elementary Phools." M. P. Pratt, Portland.

Recess.-William I, Crane, Dayton, O. AFTERNOON. Opening exercises,
"The Study of English From the Vocabulary Standpoint," Mrs. Mabel Douglas, Newberg, J. B. Horner, Corvallis,
"Manual Training in the Fublic Schools,"
R. C. French, Monmouth, T. J. Cary,
Oregon City,
Recess.

Recess.
Address-William L. Crane, Dayton, O. EVENING. Lecture-William I. Crane, Dayton, O. SATURDAY FORENOON.

Opening, exercises.

Business meeting.
"School Hygiens; What It Is and Why
We Need it." E. J. Hadley, Portland;
Mrs. Mary M. Staples, Salem.
"Play as a Means of Idealising and Extending the Child's experience." T. A.
Hays, Ashland; J. S. Landers, The Dalies.
Recors. ddress-William I. Crane, Dayton, O. DEPARTMENT OF SUPERINTEND-

ENCE. THURSDAY AFTERNOON. THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Eighth grade examinations—"Manner of Conducting," "Method of Grading," "Compensation," "Shall Deportment Be an Element in Granting Elighth Grade Diplomas?" William M. Miller, R. F. Actinson and W. I. Reynolds.
"Improvement of the Annual County Institute," C. L. Starr, P. L. Campbell and D. A. Grout,
"Penalties for Nonobservance of the State Course of Study," I. H. Copeland, P. H. Daly, A. L. Briggs and J. M. Martindale.
"Pressink Needs of Our Rural Schools," G. W. Denman, H. S. Lyman, John Blough and W. J. Crawtord.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON. is clear. The steamer Balley was the first river steamer to arrive up from Dawson, the steamer Sybli following her. The steamer Dolphin was waiting at Skagway for her passengers.

Loaded Torpedo Adrift.

CHERBOURG, May 2.—The Maritime Prefect has issued a notice of the loss, May 22, of a fully charged torpedo by the French cruiser Admiral Trehouart, in Cherbourg Roads, constituting a serious Cherman, Ward B, Swope and J. C. Zinser.

Zinser.

"How May We Encourage County Courts to Levy the Library Tax?" F. B. Hamlin, J. Q. Willits, E. E. Bragg and George B. Lamb.

"Minds of the People." Lincoln Savage, George Bethers, W. L. Jackson, B. L. Milligan and W. H. Ragsdale.

DEPARTMENT OF SECONDARY AND HIGHER EDUCATION.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON. President's address-Frank Strong, Eugene.

"Interscholastic Relations (a) Literary,
(b) Athletic," W. H. Lee, Albany; A. P.
Bechdolt, Eugene,
"Cause of the Absence of Boys in the
High School," Herbert Lee, Portland,
Discussion opened by S. W. Holmes,
Corvalits,
"Present Tendencies in American Edu-

"Present Tendencies in American Edu-cation," John H. Coleman, Salem. FRIDAY AFTERNOON. College separate session—
"Faculty Control or Direction of Stuent Affairs," H. L. Boardman, McMinn-

ille. Discussion, opened by T. H. Crawford, Corvallis.
"To What Extent Should Electives Be
Offered in Undergraduate College
Courses?" James Robertson, Forest Grove. Discussion, opened by C. T. Whittlesey, Dallas,
"Latin and Greek in the College Curriculum, F. Dominic, Mount Angel,
Discussion, opened by E. H McGrew, Newberg.

Joint session for election of officers and other business. FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

College Schools, separate session.

"The State High School Course of Study and the New Text-Books." A Symposium, conducted by E. D. Reasier, Eugene (a)

"English." Mary F. Farnham, Forest Grove; (b) "History." L. R. Alderman, McMinnyille; (c) "Mathematics." R. R. Steele, Portland; (d) "Science," Emma Wold, Eugene; (e) "Foreign Languages."

G. A. Warheld," Astoria; (f) "The Commercial Branches." A. P. Armstrong, Fortland. it session for election of officers and

#### STATE FRUIT OUTLOOK. Secretary Lamberson to Receive Re-

ports as to the Crop. cretary Lamberson, of the State Board of Horticulture, has sent to the members of the board requests to make reports of fruit conditions in their several localities. These reports will be handed in by June 10. W. K. Newell, of Dilley, one of the board, says that prunes in his locality will be a very light crop, but that apples will have a full yield. It has come to be rec-ognized that the Oregon crop will be short

this year.
For last year's prunes a good market is reported from the East. The New York Journal of Commerce says, May 23:
There is noted a good jobbing interest in spot prunes, the demand being mainly for new Sauta Clara fruit. The market is steady, and the movement reported covers 6-5%, 10-5% and 60-76s in 25-pound boxes. A little business on jebbing account is noted in 70-5%, but the principal interest is in the large sizes, Business covering around 1500 boxes of 45-5% and interest is in the large sizes. Business covering around 1500 boxes of 40-50s and 50-60s is heard of at 5%c for the first size and 5%c for the last in 55-pound boxes. Sales have been largely for export account. On 40-50s in 25-pound boxes one holder quotes 5%c and 5%c on 10-50s. Old

prunes show a lack of buying interest, and there appears to be no fixed selling basis. We hear of a moderate interest in the small prunes, but quotations are some-what nominal.

### YESTERDAY'S BASEBALL.

Rain Prevents Four of Eight Games Scheduled in National League.

ST. LOUIS, May 77 .- St. Louis slaughtered Glade's delivery today and defeated Chicago by a wide margin. Attendance, R.H.E. R.H.E. St. Louis ...... 1 13 1 | Chicago ...... 2 8 3

Batteries Murphy and O'Nell; Glade and Kahoe. Umpire-O'Day.

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Boston Beats St. Louis. BOSTON, May II.—Boston won today's game in the eighth inning, when four sin-gles and a two-bagger, added to Parent being hit, brought in four runs. Attend-ance, 2011. Score:

Boston ..... 6 12 0 St. Louis ... Batteries-Young and Criger; Reidy and

Cleveland Beats Washington. WASHINGTON, May 21.-Washington olved Moore's curves in the last part of day's game, and by heavy hitting won the game easily. Patton proved an enig-ma to the visitors. Attendance, 1966.

R.H.E. R.H.E. Washington. 7 12 0 Cleveland .... 1 4 4 Batteries Patton and Clarke; Moore

Baltimore Beats Chicago. BALTIMORE, May 27.-McGinnity's clever pitching won the game, for Baltimore today from Chicago. Attendance, Score: R.H.E. R.H.E. Beltimore ... 7 7 1 | Chicago ...... 1 4 2 Batteries-McGinnity, Bresnahan and Robinson; Patterson and McFarland.

Vancouver Bents Berkeley. VANCOUVER, B. C., May 37.—Vancouver defeated the University of California baseball nine this afternoon by a score of

Races at Hawthorne.

CHICAGO, May 27.-The Hawthorne Five furlongs-Prince of Endurance won, Press second, King Hammond third; time,

second, Lou Woods third; time, 1:47½. Four and a half furlongs—Mary Lavana won, Princess Tulane second, Belle Graham third; time, 0:55%.

Mile and a sixteenth-Flying Torpedo Boney Boy second, Malay third;

One mile-Imp, Scintillant won, Hermencla second. Autolight third; time, 1:42%, six furlongs-Lass of Langdon won, Theory second, Bard Burns third; time,

Races at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, May 37 .- The Fair Grounds Six furlongs, purse-Red Hook won, Hainault second, Louis Wagner third; time, 1:14%.

Four and a half furlongs-Grand Shot won, Pourquol Pas second, Caelana third; time, 6:55%. Mile and 70 yards, selling-Silver Garter won, Swordsman second, Burnetts Wal-away third; flme, 1:47, Six furlongs—Brulare won, Nickey D.

second, Frank Bell third; time, 1:13%. Six and a half furlongs, selling-Lake view Belle won, Sir Christopher second, Mile and 70 yards, selling-Orris won, W. B. Gates second, Bengal third; time,

Races at Gravesend. NEW YORK, May 27 .- The Gravesend esulte: About six furlongs, high weight handicap-Setauket won, Royal second, Belvino third; time, 1:12. Mile and 70 yards, selling-Satire won,

King Raine second, H. L. Coleman third; time, 1:46 4-5. Five furlongs-Lady Albercraft won, Credulity second, Lora Vale third; time, .02 8-5. Mile and 70 yards, the Preakness stakes Old England won, Major Raingerfield second, Namtor third; time, 1:47-4-5. Five furlongs, 2-year-olds, selling-Ken-

nard won, Rostand second, Wartenicht third; time 1:02. About five furlongs-Roue won, Khiti

Baces at Latonia.

CINCINNATI, O., May M.-Latonia re-Seven furlongs—Glinzen won, Athera second, The Exmond third; time, 1:40%. Four and one-half furlongs—Maghorn won, Flora Willoughby second, Gerda third; time, 0:56%. One mile and 50 yards, selling-Tragedy

won, Secundus second, Garter Ban third; second, Water Edge third; time, 1:42%.
Four and one-half furlongs—Two Lick won, Emely Belle second, Ornadoc third; time, 0:55%.

One mile and 50 yards, selling—Dolly Wagner won, Adalante second, J. J. T.

third; time, 1:45%. Boy Billiard Player Here. William Hoppe, 13 years old, the wonder-ful boy billiand player, from New York City, arrived here from San Francisco Sunday night, and will probably arrange to give a series of exhibitions in this city to those interested. So far his career as a billiard player has been a brilliant one, considering the fact that he is a mere boy, and has only played for four years. One of his recent matches was at Maurice Daley's piace in New York City last De-cember, when he played against Galle-gher, McLauchlan, Morningstar and Ortez, the champion of Spain, and won from all of them without losing a game.

Manager Price Resigns. LOUISVILLE, May 27.—It is said on good authority that Charles F. Price has mailed his resignation as general manager of the new California Jockey Club to President Williams, at San Francisco. Mr. Price refuses to discuss his reported resignation, saying any announcement must come from President Williams, Mr. Price is said to desire to confine his racing duties hereafter to the eastern side of the Rockies.

Captain and Mrs. Langfitt Win. At the Waverly golf links yesterday the finals in the married couples' knockout were won by Captain and Mrs. Langfitt. For Decoration Day there will be special events at the links. In the morning there will be men's competition against bogoy. In the afternoon there will be a mixed foursome competition.

Freeman Wins From Butler. BALTIMORE, May 27 .- Howard Free man, of Oregon, won the motor-paced 10-mile bicycle race from Nat Butler, of Cambridgeport, Mass., tonight at the Collseum bowl track; time, 15:53 and 17:54. Butler's pacemakers had trouble in the second heat,

Darton Defents Athena.

DAYTON, May 27.—For nine innings to-day Dayton and Athena played without either side making a run. In the 19th in-

ning Atheba got one man over the plate, and in the last half of the same inning an error allowed Dayton to tally twice. It was the best exhibition ever seen here. For trunks, go to the Harris Trunk Co.

## NO WHITEWASHED VERDICT

CORONER'S JURY WILL SPEAK OUT ON FERNIE DISASTER.

Miners' Union Is Collecting Evidence -Work of Rescue Forces Is Progressing Slowly.

FERNIE, B. C., May M.—There will be no whitewashed verdict rendered by the Coroner's jury, which will recommence its inquiry into the mine deaster Friday. The miners' union has retained counsel to look after the interests of the miners. The union officers are now builty occupied securing evidence, of which they will not speak at present. The jury is composed of merchants of Fernie, who are free-handed in the matter which they will have to consider. The public demand for an official investigation, apart from the inquiry of the Coroner's jury, is becoming more insistent as time goes by, and it is predicted that the verdict of the Coroner's jury will be such as to force the govern

ment to act, So far 72 bodies have been recovered. The work of the rescue forces at the mine is proceeding very slowly. It has been definitely sattled now that the explosion occurred in one of the lowcat workings known as Benver Pit. Hundreds of tons of rock and coal were brought down upon the unfortunate miners by the force of the explosion. It is known that some of the bodies are buried beneath 50 to 70 tons of debris, and while some of them may be recovered, it is very probable that many will never be seen again.

The mine management says the lower workings of No. 1 tunnel are nearly clear of gas. The rescue parties do not verify this contention, and say slow prog-ress is being made in rescue work by reason of the delay caused by brattleing the workings. The gas is so thick that stant care must be exercised in working inward. Many of the surviving white miners are arranging to leave Fernie.

The company says it is not in possession of a full list of all the men who met death. It is said that the names of the contract men are unknown. No record appears to have been kept, and therefore the exact number of lives lost may never

The committee on disbursements is making excellent use of the relief fund, which new amounts to \$15,000. So far it has been found that 50 widows and approximately 100 children stand in need of assistance. In many instances entire famtiles have been rendered positively desti-tute by the death of the bread-winners.

Another Officer Has to Leave Town. FERNIE, B. C., May 27.—Charles Henderson, Provincial Constable, has left town to escape possible revenge upon the part of the miners. The miners made threats against the man, and sooner than face the experience of his confrere, he de-cided to go. At various times he had had trouble with the miners, and was an object of deep hatred. Ex-Constable Stevens was roughly handled by a mob at Michael. His clothes were torn to shreds and upon his features he carries more than one disfiguring mark. Nine burials

Victoria Swells Relief Fund. VICTORIA, B. C., May 27.-Within a couple of hours today, Mayor Hayward raised \$1100 for the Fernie relief fund. and and Premier Dunamuir each contributed \$750,

Fire in Wilkeson Mine Out. TACOMA Wash., May 27 .- A fire which has been raging for several weeks in the mine of the Wilkeson Coal Company, 30 miles from Tacoma, has at last been ex-tinguished by flooding the mine, but the damage cannot be sacertain until the water has been drawn off. The fire was coal in the usual course of mining, and was not attended by any injury to the

miners. Olympia and G. A. R. Veterans. PORTLAND, May 27 .- (To the Editor. -After hearing and reading of the loyal sermons preached last Sunday to the old boys in blue, the words of praise for heir heroism in those terrible battles, the expressions of gratitude to them due from the people of the United States, it sounds strange to many to hear that there is a city so near home that has laws so strict that a poor, old, crippled sol-dier, unable to do manual labor, cannot sell a small article of his own manufacture on the street corner unless he pays a license so high that only the business of a millionaire would warrant it. it is a fact. Olympia, the capital of Washington, is the city, and I want all the patriotic people of the country to know it. So put it down in your notebook, comrades, and ask if this is right?

MAJOR A. WOODIN.

## BODY AND BRAINS.

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