NEW STRIKE TALKED

Employes of Portland City & Oregon Displeased.

WANT TWO OFFICIALS DISMISSED

Company Says Demand Cannot Be Complied With—Grievance Committee of the Conference With Officials Reports to Union.

Employes of the Portland City & Oregon Railroad Company yesterday presented to President Hurlburt a statement or notice to the effect that they would, on and after July 1, decline to take orders from Superintendent W. Tiffany or Dispatcher A. L. Stuart, because those officials "are obnoxious to the employes and to organized labor." Early in the evening Superintendent Tiffany says eight of the carmen told him they did not intend to take their cars out this morning. From these facts a report gained currency that there would be a general strike on the Portland City & Oregon this morning. A committee of the employes had a conference with President Hurlburt and Superintendent Tiffany last night, and at its conclusion told a reporter that it could not be known whether a strike would be declared or not until the report of the committee should be acted on at a meeting to be held at Milwaukie later. It is deemed unlikely that the men will refuse to work this morning, but what their action will be will not be known until the time for taking out the cars.

The employes of the Portland City & Oregon are organized in the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employes. For some time there has been more or less friction between the men and Superintendent Tiffany, and the men say the matter came to a head at the time of the collision near Meldrum Place, May 25. They attribute that trouble to the superintendent and his dispatcher, and say both are offensive and incompetent. Last Monday night a grievance committee was appointed by the union, and that committee yesterday presented the notice, which was signed by 75 of the men in all departments of the company's service. A. R. Dimick is chairman of the committee, and the other members are George Nendel, Charles W. West, O. J. Roberts and J. A. Workman, all being carmen, except Roberts, who works in the shops.

After the notice had been called to the attention of the superintendent, he issued an order discharging all the members of the grievance committee, and, in addition, C. J. Anderson, who was formerly the dispatcher, but is now on the cars. The information was given out that all the employes who should adhere to the demand for the discharge of Tiffany and Stuart should be discharged as fast as they could be reached, because the company considered that demand, under the circumstances, an act of disloyalty that could not be tolerated. When it became known that the company not only had no intention of yielding to the demand, but would replace all the men who adhered to it, there was talk of an immediate strike. But this was unofficial, the committee said, and no dependence should be placed upon such statements from employes not authorized to act for the union.

As the committee left for Milwaukie last night the members said the decision as to whether there would be a strike or not would rest with the men, and would be made at a meeting to be held after the committee should reach Milwaukie. They laid special stress on the statement that whatever should be done, the Amalgamated Association had been guaranteed the support of the Federated Trades Council, and that if a strike should be decided on it would be complete. Superintendent Tiffany went to Milwaukie on the same car with the committee, saying he wanted to be on the ground this morning to see whether the men would go to work or not, and to take whatever action the circumstances might require. A reporter talked with him and the committee together. He did not deny their statement of the case, and said he was willing to leave the matter as they should represent it, not doubting that they would put it fairly. He and the men went away together, he apparently making light of the whole difficulty, and the men inclined to be serious, but at the same time accepting his jocular remarks in good spirit.

"I'll wager there'll be no strike on that road," was the remark of a bystander, who saw them depart.

At the interview last evening President Hurlburt told the committee that the men had taken the wrong course, and that the company was not willing to accede to their demand. He cited them to the fact that the company had voluntarily advanced the pay of the men from 20 cents to 22½ cents, and then 22 cents an hour, notice of the last advance having been issued but three days ago, and being made to apply to the entire month of June; that the men had better cars and better facilities for operating them, and that their hours had been adjusted to their convenience by the very superintendent they wished to depose. He told the men they had been well treated, and would be well treated by the company so long as they should remain loyal to its interests, but this act he regarded as an act of disloyalty and it would be treated accordingly, unless the men should recede from it. President Hurlburt assured the men that they should receive every consideration consistent with the integrity of the company's property, but he thought it was going too far to say that the employes know better than the company who is a proper superintendent or dispatcher. It is said that the conference was in every way frank but friendly, and that the men came out of it with a better understanding of the matter than they had when they went into it.

Much of the antipathy to the superintendent appears to be personal. The men say he is too gruff, and even abusive in his intercourse with them. The company admits that he has an abrupt manner, but denies that that is cause to dismiss a competent official. The more serious allegations are said to be unsupported by anything more substantial than hearsay testimony.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Turner Oliver, of La Grande, is in the city on business.

Hon. J. T. Bridges, of Roseburg, was in the city yesterday.

Dr. H. C. Epley, the Salem dentist, is in the city, accompanied by his wife.

A. W. Giesy, the insurance man, was registered at the Imperial yesterday from Salem.

George H. Baker, a prominent merchant at Goldendale, Wash., is registered at the Imperial.

Dr. H. F. Ong, the Booth-Kelly Lumbering Company's physician at Wendling, is in the city on business.

B. E. Van Voorhis has just returned from Des Moines, Ia., where he attended the reunion of his class at Drake University.

Deputy District Attorney John Manning, who has been confined to his home for eight days with an attack of quinsy, was out yesterday.

State Senator C. W. Fulton, of Clatsop County, came up from Astoria Sunday. He is planning a trip to Crater Lake for his Summer outing.

L. K. Adams and E. C. Giltner, of Salem, were in Portland yesterday, on their way to Columbia City, where they will stay two or three days.

C. E. Taylor, of Ogden, superintendent of the Pacific Hotel Company, which is lessee of all the railroad hotels along the line of the Union Pacific, Oregon Short Line and O. R. & N., is in the city for a few days. He says that owing to the large tourist travel, the railroad hotel business is better now than it has been before for a number of years.

NEW YORK, June 23.—Northwestern people registered at New York hotels today as follows: From Portland, W. Wolf, at the Herald Square; Mrs. T. B. Wilcox, at the Holland.

From Spokane—F. F. Miller, at the Manhattan; W. A. Haltman, at the St. Denis; S. Rosenberg, at the Herald Square.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 23.—Baron Max Oppenheim, counselor of the German Embassy at Cairo, Egypt, arrived last night from New York. He is traveling in the United States for the purpose of studying the methods by which vast tracts of land have been settled and opened along the lines of railway.

TOOK HER TWO CHILDREN

Then Mrs. Waters Was Arrested and Haled Into Court.

An incident affecting the custody of two children, and growing out of a recent divorce suit, came up yesterday before Justice of the Peace Kraemer, when Mrs. D. W. Waters was charged with the larceny of two children from the lawful custody of their father, J. A. Bush. The complaint recited that Mrs. Waters, who is Bush's divorced wife, and has since married again, "did on June 22 fraudulently take and entice away Violet Bush, 13 years old, and Leo Bush, 11 years old, with intent to detain and conceal them from J. A. Bush, who is their father and lawful guardian." It was in evidence that a divorce was granted in Bush's favor in Lane County, that the children were then awarded to his custody, and that in a suit started against Bush by his divorced wife before Judge Gray, of Clatsop County, for the custody of the children the Judge decided that the father was a proper custodian for them, and decided the case in Bush's favor. Bush also married again. At yesterday's hearing Deputy District Attorney Gatens and Lawyer A. W. Wolf appeared for Bush, and Lawyer C. J. Schnabel appeared for Mrs. Waters. No witnesses were examined, and the case ultimately went over until Thursday morning.

"The children have been taken away from their father, who has been appointed their lawful custodian," argued Mr. Wolf. "Yesterday, while the children were going to Sunday school, they were intercepted by their mother, who took them away. We did not know where they were taken. I make the suggestion that the mother hand over these children to the father pending this proceeding before your honor."

"The mother has had to fight to see her children at reasonable intervals," spoke up Mr. Schnabel. "She has had to call at public schools to find out where they were being kept. One of these children has been maltreated, and I say that their father does not know how to treat children. We will show you, when this case comes for trial, how the children have been abused, and marks on their bodies will show where they have been beaten with a blunt instrument. We are willing that in the meantime the custody of the children be awarded to some disinterested third person. Why not some society?"

"The father is the proper person to take care of them," argued Mr. Gatens. "We want these children brought into court. Mr. Schnabel, did I understand you to say that they were in your office?"

"When I make a statement, you surely believe what I say to be true?" asked Mr. Schnabel, sharply.

"This court is not going to decide this question of ownership," remarked Judge Kraemer.

"I suggest that this court order Deputy Sheriff Wagner to go to Mr. Schnabel's office and bring the children here," said Mr. Gatens.

Mr. Schnabel was instantly upon his feet, and he shook a warning finger at Wagner, saying: "If he interferes with those children he will be arrested for kidnaping." Both lawyers then had a lively argument, which was brought to a termination by Judge Kraemer remarking that the children had better be given into the custody of the person from whom they were taken.

"The idea of charging a mother with stealing her own children!" remarked Mr. Schnabel, sarcastically. In answer to questions by the court Mrs. Waters stated that her present husband is engaged in the railroad business, and that she has no present intention of leaving the city. "In that case," said the Judge, "I will not place you under bond to appear before this court Thursday. You can go on your own recognizance."

Mr. Schnabel, Mr. Gatens, Deputy Sheriff Wagner and Mr. Bush then went to Mr. Schnabel's office, where the children were waiting. The little girl was crying. "I want to go to mamma," she sobbed.

"I want to go with papa," said the boy, stoutly.

"The children have not been abused while under my care," said Mr. Bush. "It's all talk." Father and children left together.

PLUMBERS ARE CRITICISED

Their Action Displeases Federated Trades Council.

At the regular meeting of the Building Trades Council last night, the strike situation was reviewed and discussed at some length, but no further steps taken. Communications were received from unions outside of Portland offering assistance and the sentiment of the meeting was that the union outlook is bright. Some dissatisfaction is expressed concerning the stand the Plumbers' Union has taken, and their action is believed by many to be unconstitutional.

The meeting held until a late hour, as many minor points of business were discussed. Communications were received from a number of outside unions that unfair material from Portland would not be used by them. One union, in Grant's Pass, sent an offer of $5 per month per man to aid in conducting the strike. The union is about 100 strong, and their offer was thoroughly appreciated.

The action of the plumbers that is the most criticised is their agreement not to work for any one except master plumbers. It is held that the union has no right, under its charter to discriminate against any who pay union wages, and conduct their business upon union principles.

Boycott Portland Mills at Astoria.

ASTORIA, June 23.—Representatives of the local Carpenters' Union called on the Astoria contractors today and notified them that the carpenters would no longer work on buildings where any of the material used was from the boycotted Portland mills. Later an agreement was reached whereby the men would continue work on the contracts already in progress with material ordered before the boycott was declared. The contractors state that as these mills are the only ones from which they can secure certain kinds of materials they will be obliged to refuse contracts in the future until the boycott on the Portland mills is withdrawn.

G. A. R. in Convention.

EVERETT, Wash., June 23.—The G. A. R. convention, Department of Washington and Alaska, opened its annual session here today 1000 strong, with a large representation from the Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans. The assembling of the department encampment occurs tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, when the real work commences.

Miss Louise, Select Massage,
Has renovated her massage parlors and has adjoined herself two young graduate assistants. Refined trade solicited. 306 5th.

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Satisfactory Picture Framing to your order—very lowest prices.

Blankets, Comforters, Pillows, Cots, Shades for Coast use at low prices.
Trunks, Traveling Bags, Suit Cases, all traveling necessities—3d Floor.
Two special bargains in adjustable Go-Carts at $4.85, $8.75

Embroidered Swisses

We went direct to the manufacturer over in Switzerland for these latest designs in embroidered Swisses, which Wash Goods Counters are offering at such remarkably low prices. These prettiest styles ordinarily wouldn't have gotten beyond Paris, and 25 per cent of usual cost saved by this direct way of bringing them to you. We've too many of them for this late in the season, resulting in the following very low pricings.

Beautiful embroidered Swisses in tan, gray, light pink, blue—45 inches wide—this season's best styles—the regular $1.75 quality on sale, yard 92c

All the 75c and 85c Swisses, embroidered in dots and figures—very choice styles for Summer Costumes—while they last you can pick, yard 49c

Silk and Linen Tissue, tan, old rose, gray and cadet blue—the regular 65c grade, yard 46c

Embroidered Silk Linens—a very stylish fabric in dots and figures—the regular $1.25 quality, yard 79c

Rug Sale

Supply your needs at unusually low prices.

500 Axminster Rugs, Oriental and floral designs, size 27x54, every one worth $3, your choice at

$1.98

300 Moquette Rugs, size 18x36, great variety of designs at

83c

100 Axminster Rugs in beautiful patterns and colorings at these low prices—9x12 ft., $19.35; 8 ft. 3 in. x 10 ft. 6 in., $17.65.

All-wool Smyrna Rugs, beautiful styles, 9x12 ft., at $21.45.

Royal Smyrna Rugs, best patterns, great values at—9x12 ft., $29.85, regular $40 value; 8 ft. 3 in. x 10 ft. 6 in., $26.85.

Large size, best quality Wilton Rugs at $29.85.

Great lot of Mattings in carpet patterns at 19c yd.

Toilet Articles

The annual Summer sale of Toilet Articles now in progress. A hundred useful and necessary articles at a considerable reduction from regular selling price, a few of which include

Pine Tar Soap, 3 cakes ... 10c
Oatmeal Soap, cake 4c
Palmetto Soap, 3 cakes .. 10c
Old Honey Soap, 2 for 5c
Jap Boquet Soap, 2 for 5c
Buttermilk Soap, 3 cakes, 10c
Cashmere Bouquet, cake . 21c
Eastman's Almond Lotion, 19c
Sanitol Tooth Wash 33c
Listerated Tooth Powder, 19c
Cameline, for the Skin ... 35c
Hinds' Honey and Almond Cream, special 35c
Espey's Cream for 15c
Wisdom's Robertine, for the Complexion 32c
Holmes' Fragrant Frostelle 17c
Colgate's Bay Rum .. 37c, 61c
Lambert's 25c Listerine .. 19c
Eastman's Florida Water, 31c
Pure Bristle Hair Brushes, the $1 kind for 79c
Bath Brushes for 36c
Bath Sponges Reduced.

Armour's Toilet Soap, 3 cakes in box—odors, violet, La France, rose and carnation, 19c box.
Savon Soaps, assorted odors, 19c box; 3 cakes in box.
Curative Skin Soap, 3 cakes 19c
Colgate's Oatmeal, cake .. 6c
Colgate's Honey Soap, cake 6c
Colgate's Talcum Powder, 12c
Colgate's Glycerine, 7c, 13c, 19c
Colgate's Vaseline 4c, 8c
Eastman's Cold Cream 8c
Murray & Lanman's Florida Water 19c, 45c
Hudnut's Florida Water .. 42c
Colgate's Violet Toilet Water, large bottle 31c
75c size bottle for 63c

Tooth Brushes

All 25c kind for 17c
All 20c kind for 14c
All 15c kind for 10c
All 10c kind for 7c

Ladies' Wash Suits, Shirtwaists, Wrappers, Petticoats, Etons, Raglans and Tailor-Made Suits at extremely low prices.
June sale of Men's and Boys' Clothing—immense bargains.
Special lot of 50c Wash Silks at 35c yard.

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More and greater inducements were never offered to visit a store at this season of the year than we are offering this week. Our sweeping Colored Dress Goods Sale and introductory sale of Portland Woolen Mills Blankets are rare opportunities that you can easily avail yourself of with profit.

Colored Dress Goods

Sweeping Reductions

Affecting every piece of colored dress goods in the stock. Rare and exceptional opportunity for securing the most desirable fabrics of the season at phenomenal reductions.

ETAMINES, TUCKED SUITINGS, SERGES, CANVAS TAFFETAS, etc., in fact, all of those clingy, comfortable and stylish goods so much in demand just now included. One assortment is composed of 42 to 48-inch widths, including values up to $1.75 a yard, special at 78c

FANCY WAISTINGS—Silk-embroidered Henriettas, silk-embroidered Albatross, Fancy Grenadines and Fancy stripes, 38 to 44 inches in width, values up to $2 yard, at .. 63c

PLAIN AND FANCY SUITINGS, special assortment, values to $1.00 a yard, at 31c

ALL-WOOL CHALLIES, this season's new goods, desirable patterns, regular 50c quality, at 27c

Royal Worcester Corsets

50 styles on sale at little more than half-price this week.

Portland Blankets

Introductory Sale

When we say PORTLAND BLANKETS, we mean the best all-wool blankets made. Quality for quality, price for price, their equal is yet to be produced. We saw them made and know whereof we speak.

During this, their initial presentation to the blanket-buying world, we have arranged a special schedule of prices; but you must see and handle the goods to appreciate their true worth. Sizes are full, weights from 4 to 9 pounds, colors, gray, mottled, tiger, vicuna, pink and scarlet. Prices for this week as follows:

Regular $3.25 quality, special at $2.75.
Regular $3.50 quality, special at $2.95.
Regular $4.00 quality, special at $3.40.
Regular $4.25 quality, special at $3.60.
Regular $4.50 quality, special at $3.85.
Regular $5.00 quality, special at $4.25.
Regular $6.00 quality, special at $4.98.
Regular $8.00 quality, special at $6.95.
Regular $9.00 quality, special at $7.90.

Ladies' Handk'fs

Fine White Lawn, one-fourth inch hem, look like linen, best in the world for the price, each 5c

THE PINGREE GLORIA —$3.50— SHOE FOR WOMEN

Famous Cosmos Pictures of King Edward VII, 5c.

Lipman, Wolfe & Co.

SALE OF POPULAR LACES

12c Imitation Duchesse Lace at 7c
15c Imitation Valenciennes Laces at 9c
10c Black Chantilly Laces .. 5c
20c Imitation Valenciennes Laces at 13c
25c Imitation Valenciennes Laces at 19c
15c Net Top Venise Laces ... 5c

Irregular Bandings and Galloons, in net and heavy effects; Oriental, Repousse, Point Venise, Imitation Irish Crochet, Batiste and Filet Laces, in white and ecru shades, worth 20c to $4.00; at, yard ..... **10c to $2.50**

Heavy Venise Laces, in cream and ecru shades, worth 75c to $4.00, per yard ..... **45c to $2.50**

Net Top Laces in Venise, Oriental, Lierre, Alencon and Repousse Laces, in cream and ecru shades worth 10c to $3.50, at, per yard ..... **5c to $2.00**

Sale of Embroideries

15c Embroideries for 9c
25c Embroideries for 16c
30c Embroideries for 21c
40c Embroideries for 25c
50c Embroideries for 30c
65c Embroideries for 42c
85c Embroideries for 55c
$1.00 Embroideries for 60c

SALE OF LADIES' TAILOR-MADE **SUITS $9.95**

Wash Goods Bargains

18c and 20c Lappet Dimities and Lawns in exquisite designs and colorings at, yd **14c**

Also 60c Mercerized Zephyrs embroidered with silk stripes—pink, blue, red, green—while it lasts at **38c**

Pillow Slips

1000 Extra quality hemmed Pillow Slips, 45x36 inches, special **10c**

CLARY'S "THE FAIR"

329 WASHINGTON ST., IMPERIAL HOTEL BLDG.

Hand-finished, Japanese hairpins, per dozen 25c
These goods are largely used because of their superior finish and durability.
New line of pleated belting, per yard ..... 25c, 35c and 45c
Good quality pearl buttons, all sizes, per dozen 5c
During this week only we are presenting our customers with every $1.00 purchase one of those beautifully matted frame pictures. These pictures are good value for 25c.
Any 25c, 35c belt buckles 19c
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FIREWORKS AND PARADE

MORE PLANS FOR THE BIG CELEBRATION.

Committee Arranges Many Important Details—No Troops or Balloons, but Many Other Features.

The Fourth of July committee held a meeting last night and received encouraging reports from the various committees which are all working earnestly in the preparations for the big celebration.

A. B. Eastham, Mayor of Vancouver, Wash., and John H. Elwell, chairman of the Fourth of July committee at that place, sent a communication relative to the troops at Vancouver, which had been invited to take part in the Portland parade. The Vancouver people desired to have the troops and United States band in their procession, and had also arranged for field sports at the barracks. Colonel Jackson, representing the Portland committee, some time ago asked General Randall, commander of the Department of the Columbia, to send one battalion of infantry and one battery of artillery to Portland. On motion of Capt. Shaw, seconded by General Summers, it was decided to relinquish any claim on the troops in favor of the Vancouver people.

Mayor Rowe and Mayor-elect George H. Williams acknowledged and accepted invitations to review the parade in the grandstand.

Julius L. Meier stated that he understood the railroad companies have agreed to display posters of the celebration along their lines. Louis Rosenblatt reported that the posters have been delivered to the companies. The advisability of sending men out to put the posters up was discussed, as the opinion was expressed that the agents in the different towns will not find time to do so. The matter was referred to the advertising committee.

Captain J. P. Shaw, chairman of the parade committee, was voted an appropriation of $800. He reported that he expected to get horses for the battery for $1.50 per day each, but found he would have to pay $2.50 each. General Summers said that the city horses can probably be obtained to draw the guns, which will cut down this expense somewhat. He also asked that the usual sunrise salute be arranged for.

Captain Shaw said that they will have a historical display in the shape of two cannons and some unexploded shells which were dug out of the Charleston harbor, and brought here by Colonel Dosch.

These will be put in the procession along with the Spanish cannons brought from the Philippines by the Second Oregon Regiment.

Secretary McIsaac submitted the following financial exhibit:

Total cash, reported, $3534; collected, $3071; good and not collected, $477; contingent fund, $250; total apportionment, $3250.

I. N. Fleischner, chairman of the music committee, reported having received bids from five bands, and that the price per man was $7 per day. He said they were all in the union, and the price was the same. General Summers commented on the fact that the price was very steep, and there was also some talk of dummies having been rung in on the committee on previous Fourth of July celebrations. It was decided that care be taken to see that there are no dummies this year. It was decided to give a concert on the evening of July 3, and after some discussion the question of music was referred to Mr. Fleischner and Captain Shaw.

A letter was received from W. H. Wilson from Los Angeles, who is to furnish the fireworks, stating that he will arrive here on Saturday. Speaking of location for the hill fireworks, Julius L. Meier suggested a point on Portland Heights, and Seventh-Street Terrace. Mr. Meier will meet Mr. Wilson on his arrival, and settle the matter.

The programme arranged by the literary committee is as follows:

Solo—Miss Caroline Johnson.
Solo—Miss Edna Klippel.
Quartet to sing "America."*
Reading Declaration of Independence—Professor M. L. Pratt.
Oration—C. E. S. Wood.
Prayer—Rev. M. D. McClelland.

The committee will also arrange for a chorus to sing "The Star-Spangled Banner," and the music committee will provide an orchestra for the occasion.

John Gill, in behalf of the committee on amusements, reported that the Portland Rowing Club will give a regatta on July 4, and there will be other aquatic sports. E. House said the Riverside Driving Association will probably give races.

The matter of bringing the Victoria and Nanaimo lacrosse teams here to play two games was discussed. It would cost $500, and the scheme was abandoned. A communication was read from the Multnomah Athletic Club, donating the use of Multnomah field to the committee, and promising a series of athletic sports. General Summers said that instead of lacrosse teams, it would be better to give $100 or $200 for a baseball game. The amusement committee was directed to confer with officers of the Multnomah Club concerning sports.

Mr. McIsaac stated that the Vancouver people have secured the only balloon which is to be had, and now the troops had been relinquished to them, they ought to let Portland have the balloon. He was authorized to inquire if it can be had.

The committee adjourned until Thursday evening.

An Old Will Favors the Poor.

London Mail.

A curious discovery has just been made by Mr. Fuller, of Yateley, Hampshire, into whose possession there recently passed a richly embroidered tablet, representing King Charles II. and Queen Catherine. Neatly concealed in the back of the tablet he found the parchment will of Thomas Hodgkins, a London merchant. The document is dated April 14, 1648, and is now in the possession of the Vicar of Ridge, Hertfordshire. It is believed that it will lead to the discovery of an accumulated sum of many thousands of pounds for the poor of that parish, in whose favor the will is made.

Eyeless Fish in a Pool.

Chicago Inter Ocean.

While workmen were blasting rocks to enlarge a reservoir near Uniondale, in the vicinity of Susquehanna, Pa., a few days ago, a small pool of water was discovered under a great ledge of rocks. The water in the pool was a bright green, but when the mass of rock was taken off it turned a dark blue. Around the edges of the pool were strange mosses, or ferns, which withered as soon as the rays of the sun encountered them.

Through the crevices of the rocks ran great red and blue beetles and ants, and horned snakes, with hoods and double fangs, wriggled around the edge of the pool.

In the pool the workmen found fish without eyes. They had green scales, but when lifted from the water this color changed to a dark blue. When they encountered the air they gasped a few times and died. In the fissures of the rocks horned toads were living. The place has been visited by noted scientists, who are mystified at the singular find among the ragged hills of Susquehanna County. Eyeless fish have been found but twice in Pennsylvania within a century.

Queen of Holland is Wealthy.

Tit-Bits.

The Queen of Holland is among the richest of royal personages. Part of her enormous fortune belongs to the crown, while the rest is her private property. The royal estates in Holland the East (which include the Dutch East Indies) are also of great value. On her marriage with Prince Henry the young Queen set aside 20,000,000 marks, the arrangement being that the interest, which is nearly 20,000 pounds a year, will be at his own disposal, while the capital is ultimately to pass to the younger children of the marriage. If there are no children, Prince Henry is to have absolute power of disposing by will of 5,000,000 marks, while the remainder will eventually revert to the Queen's estate.

PORTLAND-CHICAGO.

Seventy hours and thirty minutes (70½) is the time of the "Chicago-Portland Special" from Portland to Chicago. Leaves Portland every day at 9 A. M. Ticket office Third and Washington, O. R. & N. Co.

The finest example of weaving in the world is said to be the Panama hats manufactured in Jiptapa (pronounced Hippyhappi), in the Province of Montecristi, Ecuador.

Summer Normal

OF SIX WEEKS -

Beginning Monday, June 30, will be conducted in one of the rooms of the Portland Business College, corner Park and Washington streets. It will be strictly a school of study, designed to aid teachers to higher grades in the August examination. Further particulars on application.

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Mr. Thurber's Testimony.

Boston Herald.

It is the testimony of Mr. Thurber, whose voucher has so excited the wrath of the sugar-beet champions, that the work which the United States Export Association was paid to do was done and well done in a dignified, straightforward way; the best evidence of which is the row the beet-sugar men are making over the publication of facts of which there has been no concealment. Mr. Thurber's point seems to be well taken.

After five years' steady search a factory inspector at Halifax found an attendant at a joiner's planing machine who was in the possession of all of his fingers.