

BIG GAIN MADE

Fine Building Record for '02.

INCREASE IN PERMITS

For Ten Months 1099 Have Been Issued.

TOTAL VALUE IS \$2,744,980

Before End of Present Year \$3,000,000 Will Be Reached, Double Record for 1901—Great Boom in Cement Walks.

Comparative statement of building activity in Portland in the year 1901 and in 10 months of the year 1902:	1901.	1902.
Building permits issued	743	1099
Value of permits	\$1,533,065	\$2,744,980
Linear feet of concrete	15,910	85,851
Linear feet of masonry	76,487	88,929

During the past 10 months of the year 1902 Portland has built nearly twice as many buildings as were erected in the whole of 1901, and it is thought that by the end of the present year a record of \$3,000,000 will be established in this line. This alone should attest to the fact that Portland has never been in a more prosperous condition than it is today.

During the months of 1902 that have already passed the City Engineer has issued building permits for the construction of no less than \$2,744,980 worth of buildings in the City of Portland. This is an increase of 78.8 per cent over the record of \$2,538,065 established by the whole year of 1901. The number of permits issued in 1901 was 746, and in 1902, for 10 months, 1099, or an increase in this line of 47.3 per cent.

Among the large buildings in process of erection or already built that helped to swell this record-breaking sum to its present size are the new Pullman building, the two Wehner buildings, several large warehouses on the East Side, alterations in the McKay building, the Richardson building, the undertaking establishments of Finley & Son and Edward Holman, the addition to Woodward, Clarke & Co.'s on Fourth street, the Lawrence building on First street, and the addition to the First National Bank. Besides the larger structures, there were innumerable dwelling-houses, costing from \$3000 to \$5000, erected in all parts of town, all of which helped to increase the amount.

During the year 1901 Portland laid 15,910 linear feet of cement sidewalk. Since the passages of the sidewalk ordinances in August the various contractors are laying nearly 20,000 feet every month, and the amount for that part of October that has passed is considerably over that sum, or 21,867 feet. During the last 10 months permits for 88,851 feet were issued by the City Engineer, including about 16,000 feet laid in Hawthorne Park in the street improvement and 800 feet laid on Fifth and Sixth streets by the city. This is an increase of 487 per cent over the record of 1901, assuming that these walks cost \$1.50 per running foot for the various widths from 6 to 15 feet, the amount laid has cost no less than \$133,756.

The increase of wood sidewalk-laying has been but little over 10 per cent. This low mark is explained by the fact that it is now against the law to lay this sort of walk except in some small localities. It runs out easily, is slippery in damp weather, and frequently lets the water drop through on to dangerous ground beneath, generally causing a more or less serious accident.

This remarkable increase in building activity can be explained in no other way except that the city is more active and prosperous than ever. The increased number of houses is necessary to accommodate the rapidly growing population. Vacant lots are at a premium, and vacant houses are hard to obtain at any price.

GOOD BUSINESS WAITING.

Many Nome People Anxious to Come to Portland.

"I believe J. P. Rudd acted in perfect good faith in his steamship scheme, and that the Portland people would have done good business if they had sent the steamer Indiana to Nome for him to load with passengers," said J. E. Smith, who returned yesterday from the far northern gold camp, and is at the Imperial. "He had an office at Nome when I left, on October 15, and had spent a month in rustling business at Nome, Council, Solomon River and other camps."

"He told me he was afraid the Indiana would not show up, and refunded the money I had paid for four berths. He told me he was refunding the money to all who had bought passage from him, or was turning them over to other steamers. I believe the Oregon was one. I do not know when he began refunding the money, but he was doing it as early as October 12 to my knowledge. The rate he was charging was \$50 for first and \$35 for second-class, and he had secured a great number at those figures. I believe if the Indiana had arrived he would have got a full list. I wanted to come direct to Portland, and so did many others, as it would have been a saving of railroad fare from Seattle and cartage there. So far as I know, Mr. Rudd acted in good faith throughout."

"This has been the cheapest season as regards steamer fares since Nome was discovered, and I believe this is due mainly to the efforts of Mr. Rudd. I came down on the St. Paul and paid \$60 first class, while the second-class rate is \$40. In former seasons the first-class rate has been \$100. There were other people who were anxious to ship freight direct to Portland. Will & Rowe, the transfer men, had sent him an order for \$1000 worth of freight space, and Mr. Will told me his money was refunded, and that he hated to accept it, because he had figured on the ship arriving."

"I do not know why this town does not send boats up there, for they could do a fairly good business, both in freight and passengers. But your people do not seem to want to wait it. The Indiana could have done a business of fully \$50,000 on the one trip. I left Portland in 1900 on the Elder, and

this city sent up three boats that season—the Elder, Nome City and Despatch."

"What is the latest about mining up there?"

"The business is getting into the hands of big companies to quite an extent. They are making a number of big ditches in the Nome and Council districts, for hydraulic mining and sluicing. Some pretty good ground has been found at Council, and some good quartz is being found in the Solomon district. C. D. Lane is putting in a 10-stamp mill on Big Hurrah Creek, a tributary of Solomon. The mill was on the beach ready to move when I left. There has not been a great deal of work on Candle Creek, but my information about it is only hearsay, for I have not been there. I have been running my brother's, Dr. Andrew Smith, dredge on Solomon Creek, 12 miles inland, and have spent most of the season moving the plant."

"The wild and woolly days of Nome are about over, and the town has settled down pretty well. There is still a good deal of mining litigation, but not as much as when Judge Noyes was there, for they are getting tired pretty well straightened out. There will be a population of about 3000 there this winter. There is no longer any trouble in finding coal, for there is an abundance from Puget Sound and British Columbia, which sells at \$15 to \$25 a ton." Mr. Smith will spend about 10 days in

JOY HE HAS MISSED

Joaquin Miller Never Heard of Mary MacLane.

ASKS ABOUT HER TROUBLE

Poet of the Sierras Comes to Portland to Rest on His Way to Despaired New York and Detested Chicago.

Joaquin Miller never heard of Mary MacLane. He made this confession before two witnesses last night at 8:07 o'clock as he sat propped in bed at the Imperial. There was no tremor in his



JOAQUIN MILLER. Sketched from life by Lute Pense.

RAINY SEASON SETS IN.

First Real Storm Seems to Be Hanger of Winter.

For the third time this month umbrellas, mackintoshes, short skirts and rain boots have been pressed into service, and this time it seems that they have come to stay. While the precipitation yesterday was but .13 inches, the nature of the rain was such as to indicate that it will keep falling for a time. Again, comparing this season with those of past years, it is high time that the people were given the rains they love so much. Usually they commence early in October, but this year they seem to be trying to hold out until the month has gone. Aside from a small rainfall between October 14 and 16, and another between October 20 and 22, there has been little or no rain until the present spell, which, while it seems to be of the real winter variety, may prove to be but a few days' shower. Forecast Official Deas said yesterday:

"There is no way to tell whether the winter rains have really set in. The indications are that they have and that the present spell will last for some time. One season is in no way an index of the next one nor can we argue that, because we have had a dry summer, we will have an especially wet winter. There is no rule that the weather goes by. It is safe to say, however, that there will be more rain than sunshine from now on. The rains have held off already later than is ordinary. There has been something peculiar about the approach of the present rains. Usually they come from the North and are the heaviest in Oregon. This time, however, the storm came directly into California from the ocean and was heaviest there. Using the Northern part of California as a center, it spread over the coast, becoming lighter and lighter as it spread."

War on scrofula is declared by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Remember, Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures.

NEW MAYOR OF MILWAUKIE



WILLIAM SHINDLER.

The above is a picture of Mayor-elect William Shindler, of the new City of Milwaukee. He was placed at the head of the ticket, as he first began the agitation for incorporation 14 months ago. He was assisted in starting the movement by James Hopper and others, and together they fought the contest to the successful finish. Mr. Shindler has been a resident of Milwaukee for the past 21 years, and enjoys the confidence of his neighbors. The six Aldermen and city officers are well known. James Hopper is a horticulturist; George Hively, a contractor; T. R. A. Sellwood, land owner; F. A. Henniman, fruit raiser; C. Kerr, blacksmith; J. O. Roberts, blacksmith; T. H. Lecher, Recorder, is a business man; Charles McCann, Treasurer, railroad man; Jesse Keck, Marshal, conductor. There will be a meeting of the Aldermen and city officers this evening, and of other citizens who care to be present, in the Town Hall, to take steps to secure quarters for the new city government and make arrangements to start the municipal machinery.

"Forty days and forty nights." When this was alleged, Joaquin Miller, lately and intensely, turned a kindly eye upon the questioner. "I have never worked before with such pleasure. I have satisfied myself. When a man satisfies himself, he is on the downward path, they say."

"That applies only to young men."

The rolling eye was kinder. "What do you expect to do when you grow up?" he inquired of the interviewer. "I was hinted to him that he was to answer, not to ask. He spoke tenderly of Frank Norris. 'He was a magnificent fellow. He was very to see me not long ago. I loved him. He and Jack London were such chums. Jack is the new writer of the West. His feet are on the ground. He is good. So was Frank Norris. Why, it was positively indeed of Norris to die. He was needed. Bret Harte was old. He had done good work. Why shouldn't he go and prospect a little on the other side?'"

There was a silence. The poet shook his waving mane. "You are very civil," he said quietly.

There was again silence. "Don't let me detain you," said Joaquin mildly.

CONSUL TAKES A HAND.

Causes Arrest of Men Who Assaulted Sailors.

As an aftermath of Sunday's fight on board the British bark Morven, "Mysterious" Billy Smith and his two partners, James White and Harry White, were all arrested yesterday on warrants issued by Municipal Judge Hogue, charging them with assaulting two sailors, Paul Le Pivel and Harry Hopkins. The prosecution was instituted at the instance of British Consul Laidlaw, who, after he heard the story of the fight, listened to the sailors' version of it, and took Le Pivel and Hopkins with him to Municipal Judge Hogue's office, where the warrants were sworn out.

The warrants were handed to Police Captain Moore to be served, and he immediately telephoned to the three defendants, who were ever right. Lowercase, in one-half hour afterward, accompanied by their bondsmen. Ball was deposited in the sum of \$100 in each case for the defendants' appearance in the Municipal Court. The hearing will probably take place today.

British Consul Laidlaw said: "The case is an outrage. It is going too far when these sailor boarding-house people become bold enough to beat ships and attempt by sheer force to take men away. An effort was made last night to interview Smith and the two White brothers, but they could not be found."

MUST PROTECT THE SHIPS.

Mayor Severely Condemns Action of Boarding-House Men.

"The ships lying in the harbor must be protected from the encroachment of sailor boarding-house men," was, in substance, the order which Mayor Williams issued to Harbor-master Biglin yesterday afternoon.

"I told the Harbor-master," said the Mayor, when he was asked about the order, "that he should take up the matter of the ship fight and prosecute the men who took part in it. The sailor boarding-house men had no right whatever to go aboard that ship."

"Even if they had been sent for to take the clothes of a seaman who wished to leave the vessel?"

"No. The officers had the right to drive them off. No, the officers would not be justified in killing any of them, or in using any extraordinary violence, but they may use requisite force to compel them to leave the ship."

"But, if in the course of the fight, one of the men should be killed, what action could be taken? Would anybody be held for murder or manslaughter?"

"That would depend upon circumstances. There is a great deal to consider. Those men had no right to board the ship, and under the laws the officers had every right to expel them. As I said, the officers might use requisite force to exclude them from the ship."

MAY BUILD NEW THEATER

Cohn Will Improve His Property on Tenth Street.

The old residence that stands at Tenth and Washington streets is being torn down and it is reported that a new theater building is to take its place. The work is under the direction of S. Morton Cohn, of the Transcontinental Machine Company, who has recently purchased the property. He states that he intends building on the property, but declares there is no truth in the report that he is to build a theater. He does not say that he will not build a theater, but insists that he has not yet made up his mind as to the nature of the building that will take the place of the old one.

"Yes," said he yesterday to the Oregonian, "I have bought the property and am going to build on it, but what the building will be I have not yet decided."

"There is a report," said the reporter, "that you are going to build a theater. Is it true?"

"The people that say that," said he, "know more about it than I do myself, for I have not yet decided what I will build."

"Are you going to put up a substantial building?" he was asked.

"Even that I cannot say," he replied, "for I have not yet decided. I have been making investigations as to what will be the best. I have had plans drawn up for a theater and have had an estimate on the expense of building it. I will not say that I do not intend to build a theater, nor can I say that I do intend to build one. I have not yet made up my mind."

It was also reported that Mr. Cohn had been trying to make arrangements with the Orpheum of San Francisco to have companies on its circuit come here, but this he denied.

"On the contrary," said he, "The Orpheum people have been trying to make arrangements with us to come here. They want an opening in this part of the country. I could not make any arrangements, however, until I was sure of what I was going to do."

MAKING MANY FRIENDS

For the Brownville Woolen Mill Store, on Second and Washington Streets.

The sale of men's suits and overcoats advertised in the daily papers is bringing hundreds new customers as well as many former friends of the old Brownville store. Suits and overcoats at the prices quoted does not leave a profit, but the better customer and the better build up business. This week prices are special at:

\$7.50, men's regular \$10.00 suit.
\$8.40, men's regular \$12.50 suit.
\$10.00, men's regular \$15.00 suit.
\$12.50, men's regular \$17.50 suit.
\$15.00, men's regular \$20.00 suit.
\$17.50, men's regular \$25.00 suit.
\$20.00, men's regular \$27.50 overcoat.
\$25.00, men's regular \$35.00 overcoat.

This is strictly a woolen mill store, where all may get the best woolen goods direct from the woolen mill.

Dr. Henry Van Dyke Retires.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Rev. Dr. Henry Van Dyke has delivered his farewell sermon and turned over the pastorate of the famous Brick Church, in Fifth avenue, after 20 years' service, to Rev. Dr. William R. Richards, who comes from the Crescent-Avenue Presbyterian Church of Plainfield, N. J. Dr. Van Dyke's farewell services were attended by many persons who welcomed him to the pulpit in 1882, and they expressed deep emotion. In closing his remarks he said:

"I have your life more ample, even if you have to make it less fashionable. The world wants to see a real difference between Christians and other people in their attitude toward money. A Christian can

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The Cloak Store

Bargains interested throngs of eager buyers all day yesterday. Exceptional values in desirable wearing apparel that no economical woman can afford to pass by.



\$30.00 Suits Ladies' handsome shopping suits in blouse styles, strictly tailor-made, in the latest Scotch mixtures, large variety of the very best this season's \$30 styles, your choice for a few days only at **\$22.85**

\$10.11 Silk Skirts, \$6.95 Ladies' silk dress skirts in taffeta and peau de soie—beautifully trimmed in the very latest styles—regular \$10.00 and \$11.00 values, for this sale only **\$6.95**

\$12.50 Silk Petticoats, \$6.95 One hundred ladies' taffeta silk petticoats in assorted colors—made in the very latest styles—large variety of \$12.50 values are offered for this sale at **\$6.95**

\$2 Flannelette Wrappers, \$1.55 Fifty dozen ladies' flannelette wrappers in stripes and dots—tucked and embroidery-trimmed yoke—full flounce—splendidly made throughout—exceptional value at **\$1.55**

Just received from Japan our own importations of ladies' silk quilted dressing saques and robes—superior styles for little money.

All golf vests at greatly reduced prices—\$1.75 line, \$1.42; \$2.25 line, \$1.85; \$2.75 line, \$2.25; \$4.50 line, \$3.75.

50c RIBBONS, 29c YD.

Satin taffeta and Liberty satin ribbon in all the leading shades—regular 50c quality, for a few days only, 29c yard.

85c VELVET WAISTINGS, 57c YD.

Velvet cord waistings in black, brown, navy, pink, light blue and other good shades—regular 85c quality, only 57c yard.

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5c each

\$5.00 Blankets, \$3.97 \$1 fancy bath robe blankets in beautiful designs and colorings—regular \$5 kind, \$3.97 each.

Flannel Sale

These great values in desirable waist flannels now on sale. Best bargains we have ever offered.

2000 yards of 27-in. Persian flannels in the very best designs and colorings, flannels that have always commanded 75c a yard, we offer for, **57c**

3000 yards of 27-in. woven striped waistings in the leading shades and patterns, great variety to select from, regular 75c grade for, **57c**

2000 yards of mercerized flannels in the newest and best patterns and colors, always sold for 75c a yard, for this sale your choice only, **57c**

\$1.00 and \$1.25 A great lot of fancy waist silks in stripes, best coloring and patterns—regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 quality, for this sale **69c**

Ladies' Underwear



The very best winter styles and weights at greatly reduced prices—Late season and too much stock accounts for this price cutting—Money saved if you take advantage of these values.

Ladies' cotton ribbed fleece lined Vests and Pants, shaped vest, all sizes—great values **37c**

Ladies' "Nutley" wool ribbed Vests and Pants, in white and blue mixed, shaped vest, silk crocheted neck with silk ribbon, finely made underwear in superior grade. For this sale only, garment, **\$1.23**

Ladies' "Stratford" Union Suits, in natural and white, beautifully made and trimmed, button across the chest, all sizes. For this sale the regular \$2.00 quality, garment **\$1.58**

Full line of infants' and children's wool ribbed underwear in all grades.

Special sale of high-class framed Pictures—Lamps in every style and size—Lowest prices. (Basement.)

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Scarfs and Shams

560 pieces Cut Work Scarfs and Shams, regulation sizes, good patterns, values up to 50c each. For a quick clean-up, pick at **15c ea.**

Curtains

Splendid bargains in Lace Curtains for today and tomorrow.

\$2.50 Curtains \$1.19 pair

Ruffled Muslin Curtains, plain and lace effects, dotted and striped. Big variety of regular \$2.50 values, for \$1.19 pr.

Scotch Brussels **\$2.27 pair**

Three styles of Scotch Brussels Curtains, 3 yards long, 54 in. wide, best patterns, exceptional value for this week, **\$2.27 pair.**

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use money as a servant, but if he makes it the ruler of his life, his practical God, then his Christianity is a lie. Men blame the church for paying too much reverence to wealth. It is not the church that is at fault; it is the people who make up the church."

Securing Polk County Hopyards.

INDEPENDENCE, Or., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—Louis A. Horst, of San Francisco, a well-known hopman, is making overtures to secure several more hopyards in this section, being thoroughly convinced that Polk County is one of the best hop-raising sections in the world. He offers liberal inducements on either one or five years' contract.

Warm Welcome to Football Boys.

CORVALLIS, Or., Oct. 27.—(Special.)—The arrival from Seattle today of the Oregon Agricultural College football team was the occasion of an enthusiastic demonstration at the railroad station. The ar-

rival of the train was at the noon hour, and nearly all of the 450 students, a large number of the faculty and many townspeople were on hand to see and welcome the boys. Among the college students there is general satisfaction over the result of the game, in spite of the fact that Seattle, by the lucky accident of two place kicks, and not by superior work or

strength, was able to outscore the O. A. C. men.

PORTLAND-CHICAGO.

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