

WHO DREWE IT? More Trouble Over the Port of Portland Drydock.

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CALIFORNIA ENGINEER'S CLAIM

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At the regular monthly meeting of the board yesterday a letter was read from Snow & McCann, representing Howard C. Holmes, chief engineer of San Francisco. He asked for the payment of \$3000 for the plans being used in the construction of the dock at Vancouver.

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The report of Inspector Young, at the drydock, shows that nothing but the highest grade of lumber is being accepted. Of 200 feet offered by the Vancouver mill, 2000 feet were rejected. The board approved the inspector's rigid classification of drydock material.

WANTS TO TRADE WITH PORTLAND.

MAPLETON, Or., Dec. 11.—(To the Editor.)—Noticing by The Oregonian of December 5 that Charles Friesen wanted to the Chamber of Commerce that low freight rates from San Francisco to Portland, I have written him to that effect.

Huber & Maxwell presented a bill for \$272.75 for surveying the different drydock sites in relation to the lawsuit of Robinson and Orton. The board sent the bill back to the inspectors, Mr. Flanders, as he authorized the survey.

P. J. Mann gave the Commissioners a 90-day option on a tract of river frontage on the west bank near the lower end of Swan Island, suitable for a site for the drydock, and the option was accepted.

FRENCH FLEET GROWING.

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Among the latter is the French ship Daniel, of 1819 tons, which is on her maiden voyage. The Daniel arrived at San Diego November 24 with coal from Swansea. She has a 30-shilling charter to load wheat at Portland for the United Kingdom, and as the charter expires on the last day of the month, she is being towed up by the Southern California port to make certain her arrival in time.

The French ship Surcouf, 174 tons register, which reached the Royal Roads Wednesday, received her orders to proceed to Portland. She is under engagement to load for the Cape. The French bark Lamoriciere, 1471 tons, sailed from Tacoma yesterday with 2800 bushels of wheat stiffening, and will load a four cargo here for South Africa.

The French bark Francos Ceppee, 1228 tons, recently arrived at San Francisco from Cherbourg, sailed north on the 8th for St. Louis. Since her departure arrangements were made to load her here, and the ship will be stopped, if possible, off the river, so as to save her the extra trip back from the Sound.

Other French vessels on the route are the Grande Duchesse Olga, 1567 tons, which left Shields August 24, but since put into Illo for repairs; Marthe Roux, 1561 tons, out 120 days for this port from Runnes via San Francisco; Ville de St. Nazaire, 1815 tons, 64 days out from Hobart; and Colonel Villehove Maur, 1730 tons, 38 days out from Madagascar.

The five French vessels in port now are the Cannehierre, Fornal Bart, Nantes, Jean Bart and Marie, the latter arriving up from Astoria yesterday. The four that have already carried out cargoes of this season's grain are the Jacobson, Asia, Cambrome and La Fayette.

WARSHIP SEEKS DERELICT.

Otella Pederson a Prize for Japanese Sailors. According to advices received by the steamer Shawmut from the Orient, the schooner Otella Pederson, which was abandoned some time ago by her officers and crew, was sighted on November 21 about two miles south of Formosa.

A Japanese warship was sent to bring her to port. The Pederson will be a rich find for whoever gets hold of her. When abandoned she was as sound as when she left Puget Sound, and induced the sailors to desert him and go on board the Princeton, a boat from which vessel later took him off.

The Princeton landed the crew at Nagasaki, and there, Captain Hansen and the Japanese agent refused to let him send out a tug to seek the deserted schooner. What is interesting the owners now, however, is where they will stand in the event of the Japanese warship finding and bringing to port their abandoned property. It is said that there is no insurance on her.

FAST PASSAGE NOT PROBABLE.

HONOLULU, Dec. 11.—(Special.)—Thousands of dollars were loaned to the owners of the ship Tille E. Star-

STILL FOR JOHN BARRETT

PORTLAND CITIZENS IN LINE FOR HIS APPOINTMENT. Hopes Are Expressed That President Will Overlook Protest of Japanese Minister.

The consensus of opinion among the prominent citizens of Portland seems to be that the Hon. John Barrett is a gentleman eminently fitted for the position of United States Minister to Japan, and that the Japanese government has no real cause to complain if he is appointed.

Mr. Barrett would be a good friend of Portland, and it is said that his long connection with Eastern and Oriental affairs should make his appointment all the more acceptable both to America and the island of the chrysanthemum.

When seen last night, Mayor George H. Williams said: "Mr. Barrett would be of unquestionable value to Portland in the Orient, and should be appointed. It is of course, most unfortunate that Japan has entered an objection to his appointment. I think that some of the Senators are against him, too, thinking possibly that he is not qualified for the position."

"He is thoroughly conversant with the affairs of the whole Orient, and with Portland and Oregon, too, for that matter," said Colonel H. E. Doseh, "and his appointment would be a memorable benefit to the Pacific Coast."

Postmaster A. B. Crossman said: "It is unfortunate for Oregon and the Pacific Coast that Japan has entered an objection against Mr. Barrett's appointment as Minister to Tokyo, as he would do well in that position."

F. E. Beach, president of the Portland Board of Trade, said: "I am very much pleased to see that the President had decided on Barrett, and was of the opinion that he would be a good man for Oregon in the Orient. I am very sorry that there has been any opposition manifested toward him, and think that it is unjustified, as he would make a good Minister, as far as I am able to judge. I have been in hopes that the various Portland committees would take the matter with the President and urge his appointment, anyway."

COST OF ADVERTISING.

Standing of The Oregonian Among the Great Newspapers of the Country. The test of a paper's value as an advertising medium is often found in the direct returns from ads inserted in its classified columns.

Among Eastern general advertisers, who know the value of the Oregonian, and the extent of the prosperous field the paper so fully covers, the Oregonian is rated as one of the most profitable advertising mediums in the United States.

The following article published by the Washington (D. C.) Star, shows local advertisers the high standing The Oregonian enjoys among leading newspapers, and general advertisers of the East: The Western Monthly, a Journal for mail-order dealers, is published at Kansas City, Mo., in its November issue gives importance to the following article, printed on its first page:

To the class student of advertising the table given below is of especially interesting. It shows the result of a three-line ad, inserted in the 'agents wanted' columns of all the leading dailies. The ad was placed in the Sunday edition of all papers having a Sunday edition on the Saturday edition of the balance. The cost per reply is not for one issue only, which is never a fair test of any medium, but covers a period of from five to 12 weeks, the ad, not appearing in all the publications the same number of times. The figures given below were obtained by dividing the total cost of the ad, by the total number of replies received. We are not at liberty to give the name of the advertiser.

Table with columns: Publication, Cost per reply. Includes Dallas News, Rochester Democrat-Chronicle, Philadelphia Inquirer, etc.

OREGON STOCK IN DEMAND

C. J. Mills Secures Orders for 6000 Head of Cattle. Livestock Agent C. J. Mills, of the O. R. & N., brought back from the international livestock exhibition in Chicago orders for 6000 head of Oregon cattle, conditioned on the proper market conditions.

"I find Oregon's reputation among the stockmen to be first class," said Mr. Mills yesterday. "Eastern dealers have tried the Texas and Mexican cattle and those from the Colorado and event Montana ranges, in comparison with the Oregon stock, and our animals have the preference everywhere. There is an active demand for them at reasonable prices. We can hold our own in any market. The conditions here are so favorable for producing superior beef animals that the industry is bound to prosper. Of course, this does not mean that our prices will stand fancy prices all the time, but it does mean that we can get a market at any time in preference to the cattle of other states."

"Oregon breeding stock also stands well in the estimation of Eastern breeders. In fact, none stands higher. Though Oregon's exhibit at Chicago was quite limited, the first prize went to an Oregon Shorthorn bull, a yearling belonging to W. O. Minor, of Heppner. This was rewarded as a notable victory, and it brought Oregon into a prominent position before the international breeders."

"I found the East eager for information about the Pacific Northwest. The people are beginning to inquire specifically about Oregon; they have heard of it, and want to know more. Advertising Oregonian is now sure to attract attention in the East, and I look for a large movement of settlers this way. Such success was won at the international exposition is an important factor in advertising the state in quarters where it is well to be known. The National Livestock Association at Kansas City next week will give us another opportunity, and I expect to see it made much of."

"Say, if a fellow thinks he is tired of Oregon, just let him take a trip East. If that doesn't cure him, he is hopeless. A very short time in the East will make him eager to get back home, where he can enjoy life with contentment of the frozen East into green and balmy Oregon just at this time brings the climatic differences into sharp contrast and shows this state up to great advantage."

CURE OF CONSUMPTIVES.

Health Association Advocates Building National Sanitarium. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 11.—The American Public Health Association today concurred in a resolution recommended by the executive committee in favor of the National Consumption Sanitarium. The resolution asking for the abolishment of a quarantine was reported back to the executive committee with a recommendation that it was not expedient to adopt it at this time.

Dr. John Gutierrez moved that the recommendation be sustained, and it prevailed on a close vote. A motion by Dr. J. Schrader was adopted, instructing the President to appoint delegates to the International Tuberculosis Congress in St. Louis.

The executive committee refused to approve the resolution referred to it, asking the General Government to employ sanitarians and physicians in the building of a national sanitarium, for the health of those engaged in the work of construction would be preserved. The association sustained the committee.

Search for Missing Woman. LAWRENCE, Kan., Dec. 11.—The entire body of 1800 students of the State University, under the direction of the faculty, began an organized search today for Mrs. Marshall A. Barber, wife of Professor Barber, professor of natural history, who disappeared from her home in this city yesterday. Mrs. Barber, who had been a sufferer from insomnia, left her home yesterday morning. No alarm was felt at her absence until about eight o'clock.

Mrs. Barber was Mrs. Florence Barrett, daughter of a retired Methodist minister, before her marriage a year ago. She graduated from the Kansas University several years ago.

Chemist Finds New Poisons. CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Professor Julius Slotterback, professor of pharmacology in the University of Michigan, has discovered seven new poisons, says a special issue of the Tribune from Ann Arbor, Mich. Three of them are made from Alleghany vine. He had named two of the poisons adimide and adurnidimide and one is still unnamed.

New Member of Arbitration Court. THE HAGUE, Dec. 11.—Germany has nominated Dr. Slevking to be a member of the International Court of Arbitration in the place of Dr. Bligh, President of the Senate of High Court.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT

PORTLAND, Dec. 11.—6 P. M.—Maximum temperature, 44; minimum temperature, 37; river reading, 11 A. M., 12.9 feet; change, 2.4 hours after high tide, 0.14 inch; 5 P. M., 0.14 inch; total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1902, 18.84 inches; normal precipitation since Sept. 1, 1902, 14.10 inches; excess, 4.74 inches; total sunshine Dec. 10, 3.91; maximum sunshine Dec. 10, 6.42; barometer (reduced to sea level) at 5 P. M., 29.75.

PACIFIC COAST WEATHER.

Table with columns: STATION, Temperature, Wind, etc. Includes Astoria, Bismarck, Boise, etc.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Light rain has fallen during the last 24 hours in Western Oregon. Western Washington and Southern Idaho, and light snow is reported in Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho.

The temperature has remained nearly stationary in the North Pacific States during the last 24 hours, except in the Sound country, where it is slightly warmer.

The indications are for occasional rain Friday west of the Cascades, and occasional light snow or rain to the eastward of that range.

THE RIVER.

The flood crest passed Albany this morning, and this evening the river shows a fall at Eugene, Albany and Portland. The following stages were reported at Portland, 12 P. M.: Albany, 18.6 feet; Eugene, 8.2 feet. The river at Portland will fall slightly during Friday.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

Forecasts made at Portland for the 25 hours ending at midnight Friday, December 12: Portland and vicinity—Occasional rain; brisk southerly winds.

Western Oregon and Western Washington—Occasional rain; brisk winds, mostly southerly.

Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho—Partly cloudy, with probably light rain or snow.

Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho—Partly cloudy, with snow.

A. B. WOLLBER.

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WOODARD, CLARKE & CO. Largest Retail and Wholesale Drug Store in America. PHILIPPINE "BOULAC" Fiber for Filling Pillows 40c lb.

Sterling Silver FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIAL Sterling Top Cold Cream Jars, 11c and... Pocket Match Safes—any man would thank you for one—20 new designs in gray, regular \$2 value for \$1.59

Beautiful Cut Glass RICHEST AMERICAN CUTTINGS Selected pieces from every well-known brand. SAMPLE OF OUR PRICES: 8-inch BERRY BOWLS, 10 different shapes, bought to sell for \$8.25, \$8, \$7.75 and \$7.25, special, each \$4.95

Austrian Bisque French Stag Horn THE LATEST WARE IN Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Military Brushes, Individual Manicure Pieces, Whisk Brooms, Ink Wells, Dinner Bells, Mirrors.

"Leyburn" THE KING OF ALL \$4.00 HATS Sam'l Rosenblatt & Co. SOLE AGENTS Cor. Third and Morrison Sts.

You Want Christmas Goods OUR LINE WILL SAVE YOU MONEY Do you know good Pottery and China? Wurttemberg Ware, Coal and Gold Pieces, Japanese, German and American Pottery, Framed and Unframed Pictures?

OUR METHODS APPROVED EUGENE, Nov. 23, 1902. DR. B. E. WRIGHT'S DENTAL OFFICE 342 1/2 Washington, Cor. Seventh

AN UMBRELLA FOR CHRISTMAS Why not? They are always useful. JOHN ALLESINA TWO STORES: 236 Woodward St. Near Woodard, Clarke & Co. 309 Morrison St. Near Meier & Frank Co.

BEST \$6.50 COAL On this market is Renton Lump Coal. Both Phones. VULCAN COAL CO.

AUCTION SALES TODAY.

At the Ford-Wilson Co.'s salerooms, 422 1/2 Broadway, Portland, Ore., at 10 o'clock, at Gilman's auction room, 411-113 Washington st., at 10 o'clock, A. M. S. L. N. Gilman, auctioneer.

MEETING NOTICES.

MYRTLE CHAPTER, No. 15, O. E. S.—Regular communication, this (Friday) evening, in Masonic Temple, at 7:30 o'clock. Election of officers. By order W. M. JENNIE H. GALLOWAY, Sec.

HAWTHORNE LODGE, No. 111, A. F. & A. M.—Special communication (Friday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock. Work in M. M. degree. All M. M. cordially invited. HENRY BROWN, Sec.

HASALO LODGE, No. 15, I. O. O. F.—Regular meeting (Friday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Work in the second degree. Visitors invited. W. S. MACRUM, Recorder.

DIED.

SWAN—In this city, Dec. 11, 1902, John G. Swan, aged 53 years. Funeral notice later.

KOWALESKY—In this city, Dec. 11, 1902, Evva Kowalesky, aged 15 years, 8 months and 14 days. Funeral notice hereafter.

FRANKLIN—In this city, Dec. 11, 1902, at the family residence, 250 7th st., Frederick D. Gross Franklin, aged 81 years, 8 months and 14 days. Funeral notice hereafter.

SEXTON—In this city, Dec. 11, 1902, at 3 A. M., Saffrine Catherine Sexton, aged 9 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Sexton, 209 Columbia st. The funeral will take place at 2 P. M. today from residence. Friends invited.

TRIGELLAS—In this city, Dec. 10, 1902, Mrs. Triggellas, at her daughter's residence, 947 Halsey ave., Astoria. The funeral will take place Friday, 11 A. M., from residence. Friends invited.

TIMM—In this city, Dec. 11, 1902, William Otto Timm, aged 17 years, 8 months, 15 days. Funeral services will be held at home, at 3 o'clock, Sunday at 10 o'clock. Friends invited.

J. P. FINLEY & SON, Progressive Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Cor. 3d and Madison streets. Competent lady assistants. Both phones No. 3.

EDWARD HOLMAN, Undertaker, 4th and Yamhill sts. Rena Stinson, lady assistant. Both phones No. 507.

NEW TODAY.

MORTGAGE LOANS On improved city and farm property. Building loans. Installment loans. MRS. MACARTHUR, 311 Worcester block.

TRINITY CHURCH SITE For sale, the remaining east lots, N. and W. Oak and 3th sts., in the new business center. For prices, etc., call on the sole agents, F. V. Andrews & Co., Hamilton block.

\$25, \$35 and \$45 Down Will put you in your own home, upon a lot containing one-quarter of an acre and your monthly rental will pay the balance. The land is close to the street-car line in St. Johns. This proposition is intended only for laboring men, paying from \$10 to \$15 per month rental and can be extended to only a limited number. Hartman, Thompson & Powers 3 Chamber of Commerce.