NO CUT IN RATES

Northern Ocean Lines Taking Freight at Old Schedule.

FRESHET SLOW IN APPEARING

Bullivan & Grant Bros. Secure Sailo Boarding-House License - Port of Portland Suit May Be Commenced Today.

No cut in rates has yet been made Oriental freight from northern ports, and the big liner indravelli will go out of Portland next week full to the hatches with freight taken at the old schedule-\$5 and \$6 per ton. zwe si per ton rate from San Francisco, as announced by The Oregonian last week, is as yet effective only on steamers sailing from San Fran-cisco at the same time as the steamers of the China Commercial Steamship Company. The agents of the different lines operating out of Northern ports were not all in attendance at the meet-ing held in Seattle Monday, and for this reason no action was taken. Another meeting will be held the latter part of the week, at which the matter will be more thoroughly discussed and a plan decided on for action. It is the general opinion of local transportation men that the lines in the North will pay but little attention to the China Commercial until some of their steamers invade the North-

Thus far the only bad effects of the \$1 rate made by the Pacific Mail have been to cause Oriental buyers to hold up pending settlement of the rate Some fairly large orders for flour came in by cable just previous to the announce-ment of the low rate, and they have since

SEATTLE, May 26 .- (Special.) -- A meeting of the Asiatic Freight Bureau, composed of the transportation companies operating boats from Seattle, Vancouver Portland and San Francisco to the Ori-ent, was held in this city yesterday for the purpose of discussing the rate situation between the Coast and China on flour shipments. The meeting was brought about by reason of the Chinese Freight Bureau accepting a shipment of 750 tons of flour at San Francisco for the Oriental trade regardless of the prevailing rate.

The Chinese Freight Bureau is an organization perfected about eight months ago with the view at that time of operating a line of boats between China and Mexican ports. Later on a boat was put on the San Francisco run, and it was on the last sailing of this boat that the flour

hipment at a very low rate was accepted. It developed at the meeting that this was the first shipment accepted by the Chinese company at less than tariff, and that the flour was for its own use indi-Therefore the Scattle meeting took no action. The fact that the Asiatic Freight Bureau was holding a meeting and discussing rates gave rise to the rumor that it was the intention of the Coast lines to cut rates on flour to the Orient. Nothing, it is said, is further from the minds of the members of the bureau than this. It is the purpose of the organizalong as possible, nuless it should be that the Chinese line inaugurates a cut. It is not expected by the local compaines that this will be the case. In fact, it is said the local companies have the assurance of the Chinese company that the single ship-ment accepted at less than tariff was for its own use, otherwise the full tariff would have been charged.

FRESHET IS BACKWARD. River Is Unusually Low for This Time of Year,

The Spring freshet is slow in makin its appearance, and from present indi-cations the highest water will not be here for three or four weeks yet. The river is unusually low for this time of year. The records show that for the past years the Willamette at this point so low in the latter part of May as it is now. The stage of the river yesterday was 11.5 feet, having fallen one-tenth of a foot in the past 24 hours. On the corresponding day last year the river stood at 17 feet, later reaching a height of 21 feet on June 3. Two years ago yesterday the stage was 17.6 feet, the highest water that year also being 21 feet, and the date June 4. At the ordinary rate of rise, the river will not get to the 34-foot mark, which it is expectto reach before the middle or latter

part of June.

After remaining about stationary for a week, the river will begin to rise again this afternoon or tomorrow morning. Warmer weather has set in at the headwaters of the Columbia and the Snake and the snow will probably melt rapidly in the next few days. If the warm weather continues, the rise will doubtless be marked in the next two weeks.

Reports to the Weather Bureau yester day gave the following stages at upper river points: The Dalles, 20.3 feet, a fall of two-tenths of a foot; Umatilla, 12.2 feet, stationary; Northport, 10.8 feet, a rise of one-tenth; Wenatches, 22.5 feet, a rise of three-tenths; Riparia, 8.4 feet, stationary; Lewiston, 7.7 feet, stationary; Welser, 6.5 feet, a fall of one-tenth.

PORT OF PORTLAND SUIT. Judge Carey Will Assist the Prose

cuting Attorney. new Port of Portland Com held a brief informal meeting at the of-fice of P. L. Willis yesterday morning to discuss the pending law sult that is to determine its status. Those present, be-sides Mr. Willis, were G. B. Thomas, C. F. Adams, Captain E. W. Spencer and John Driscoll. Mr. Willis explained the steps he had taken to bring the matter before the court, which met with the proval of his fellow-members. As it desirable to bring the case to as early speroval of his fellow-members. As it is desirable to bring the case to as early a decision as possible, Mr. Willis has secured the services of Judge C. H. Carey to assist the District Attorney in prosecuting the suit. The papers will be filed today or tomorrow, and it is hoped that a hearing will be had before the week is ended. No time will be lost by the losing side in carrying the case to the State Supreme Court, and as soon as a finel decision is reached, the victorious board will set about selling its bonds and paying off the debts.

The new Commission has not yet organized, and according to its present plans it will not until the case is decided, unless the lower court holds that it must perfect its organization before it carries on the proceedings. In that case is will organize at the meeting called for fext Thursday afternoon. Everyone

carries on the proceedings. In that is it will organize at the meeting called fext Thursday afternoon. Everyone anceted with the Commission appears to be in the dark as to who will be the officers and, according to their state-ments, no slate has been prepared.

LICENSE TO SULLIVAN & GRANT. Sailor Boarding-House Commission Meets and Takes Action.

Salior Boarding-House Commissio The Sallor Boarding-House Commission met last evening to consider applications for licenses under the new law, which became effective May M. But one application was received—that of Suillvan & Grant Bros.—who have for a long time handled the business here. The applicants had the indorsement of nearly all of the big shipping firms of the port, and the Commission decided to issue them

a license as soon as the proper bonds

ished loading yesteroay, will be the new vessel to secure a crew under the new regime. The excessive charges made for sallors, together with the trouble over de-sertions, have given this port a bad name among foreign shipowners, and the ship-ping men have hopes that the enforce-ment of the new law will remedy the evil. It is in the power of the Commis-sion to revoke the licenses at any time the boarding-house men do not keep within the letter of the law.

SCHOONERS WILL BE SAVED, Cause of the Mishap to the Berwick and Copper Queen.

GRANT'S PASS, Or., May 26.—Additional news has been received in this city regarding the schooners Berwick and Copper Queen, which are beached near the mouth of the Rogue River. The Copper Queen ran ashore while attempting to taw the Berwick in over the Rogue River bar. Both vessels are high and dry at low tide, but they will be rescued as soon as proper assistance arrives.

The Berwick has been lying outside the bar at Gold Beach for the past two weeks, awafting an opportunity to come in, but the bar has been rough at all times, and the vesselse waited in vain. A few days ago the Copper Queen came down from Marshfield on her regular trip with sup-plies. As the Queen neared the mouth of the Rogue the Berwick displayed signals of distress, and Captain Burns, of the former vessel, drew alongside to as-certain the nature of the trouble. The Berwick wished to be towed in, and Captain Burns said he would attempt to ac odate her

The seas were rolling high at the time and the bar was unusually rough. The Queen would have got the Berwick over in safety had not a high sea broke over her deck and washed a line overboard. The line got afoul of her propeller and in a moment she was at the mercy of the wind and waves. Both boats ran ashore, The crews safely made land.

CARGO OF THE INDRAVELLI.

Good Progress Made in Discharging the Big Steamship.

The work of discharging the Portland & Asiatic liner Indravelli began early yesterday morning at Alaska dock, and good progress had been made toward emptying the big steamship when night came. The Indravelli brings the usual assortment of Oriental goods, including a great variety of groceries and other merchandles for the Chinese colonies at Portland, San Francisco and other Coast cities. Matting and gunnies form the bulkiest part of her cargo. Of the former, there are 4027 rolls, while 3625 bales of gunnies were stowed away in her hold. The other principal items on the ship's manifest are 2610 bags of rice, 534 cases of tea, 2737 cases of coccanut oil, 550 cases of pineapples, 150 bags of cof-fee, 16 cases of nutmegs, 73 boxes of firecrackers, 117 slabs of tin, 15 bags of cloves and 16 bales of cassia.

FREIGHT MARKET BREAKS. On Estimate of Shortage in Cali-

fornia Wheat Crop. SAN FRANCISCO, May 24-The entimated shortings in the wheat crop of California, combined with the fact that an
immense tonnage is now on the way to
this port, has already broken the market for freights. The tonnage on the
way is estimated at 402,000 tons, with a list way is estimated at 402,000 tons, with a list of disengaged shipping in port aggregating 88,000 tons, against 255,000 tons on the way this time last year, and 23,500 tons disengaged in port. A short time since charters were closed here for carrying wheat in July and August at 21s 3d. Charters to carry wheat in August. September and October were closed at 22s 6d.

Now they are reported at 18s 9d. Eighty-three ships are now on the way here from Australia, the largest fleet from that direction on record.

AFFOW Goes to Sea.

ASTORIA, Or., May E.—(Special.)—The mysterious steamer Arrow arrived down the river yesterday afternoon, and it was supposed she left out at once for Puget Sound, as she passed by the city, and in the evening could not be found in the lower harbor, but this morning she was sighted tied up at the Knappton wharf on the north side of the river. About noon today, however, she crossed the ber and headed up the coast.

Forts Without a Tender.

ASTORIA, Or., May 28.—(Special.)—The forts around the mouth of the river will be without a steamer to act as tender, until the steamer Major Guy Howard artil the steamer major Gby Howard ar-rives down the river and goes into com-mission again. The steamer Miler has been engaged for temporary use, but her contract has now expired, and no one here appears to have authority to con-

Vosburg on Tillamook Run.

ABTORIA, Or., May 26.—(Special.)—The steamer Geo. R. Vosburg, which has been out of commission for several months, has again been placed on the run between this city and Nehalem and Tiliamook. Her owner, C. H. Wheeler, was in the city to-day, and said that his company's sawmill at Nehalem would resume operations in about a month and would run continuously.

Columbine Sails North.

ASTORIA, Or., May 25.—(Special.)—The lighthouse tender Columbine crossed out this morning for Behring Sea. She will stop at Seattle, where she will be joined by Colonel Lockwood, secretary of the Lighthouse Board, who will inspect the lighthouse stations in Alaskan waters.

Gasoline Launch Gives Trial Trip ASTORIA, Or., May M .- (Special.)-The gaseline launch built by Wilson Bros. for Gus Lindberg and C. H. Carlson, of this city, was launched today and given her trial trip. She will engage in general job-bing on the lower river.

Domestic and Foreign Ports, ASTORIA, May 28.—Arrived at 8 A. M.—British bark Donna Francisca, from Hiogo.
Arrived at 11 A. M.—Schooner John A., from
San Francisco. Salled at 11 A. M.—Steamer
Arrow, for Puget Sound. Sailed at 12 M.—
British ship Arrnamore, for Algos Bay. Condition of the bar at 4 P. M., moderate; wind
west: weather cloudy.

heim II, for Bremen; Aurania, for Liverpool.

Liverpool, May M.—Arrived—Ionian, from Montreal; Lake Erie, from Montreal; Carpathia, from Boston.

Bremen, May 26.—Arrived—Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York.

Glasgow, May 26.—Arrived—Mongolian, from New York.

New York.

Tacoma, May 26.—Arrived—Steamer Oregon, from Alaska. Sailed—Steamer City of Puebla, for San Francisco; steamer Spokane, for Sitka; British ehip Babane, for United Kingdom; schooner Forester, her San Francisco.

Hoquiam, May 25.—Arrived—Schooner A. J. West, from San Pedro for Hoquiam; 24th, sailed steamer Groze Delivar from Hoguian.

sailed, steamer Grace Dollar, from Ho for San Francisco. Seattle, May 26.—Salled—Steamer Spokane, for Sika; 25th, steamer Al-Ki, for Skagway, Arrived—Steamer Dirigo, from Skagway, Salled—Steamer Melville Dollar, for San Fran-

TO TELL OF BRAVE DEEDS

G. A. R. MEN WILL VISIT THE SCHOOLS FRIDAY.

They Will Address the Children on the Subject of Patriotism.

as many flowers as possible and leave them at the schoolrooms, to be collected by the janitors of the several buildings, for use in decorating graves on the fol-lowing day.

Postland, Or., May 27, 1808.

ASIATICS MUST BE BARRED Hawaii Finds They Are Menacing the Future of the White Man,

The committee appointed by the G. A. R. posts has made the following appointments of comrades to visit the public schools of this city and vicinity, on Friday, May 25, for the purpose of participating in the memorial exercises, and addressing the children on the subject of patrictism and the duties that citizens owe to their country.

The exercises at the High School will commence at 1 o'clock, and at all other schools at 1:30 P. M. The committee hopes that the comrades will report BAN FRANCISCO, May M .- C

NEW PRESIDENT PORTLAND HIGH-SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.



JAY H. UPTON.

Jay H. Upton, who has been elected president of the Portland High School Alumni Association, was graduated from the High School in June, 1888. He then enlisted in the Second Oregon Volunteers as a private in Company H. After his return from the Philippines he entered the University of Oregon Law School, graduating with the class of 1992. He is at present serving as clerk to County Judge Webster. In both the high school and law school, Mr. Upton was prominent in student activities, and as a member of the Phi Delta Kappa High School Fraternity and of the Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity.

they have been assigned:

Charles Grant, J. Simmons, P. A.

P. Brady. Falling School-J. S. Foss, F. K. Arno

Falling School-J. S. Foss, F. R. Arnold, R. J. O'Neill, J. L. Weils, J. C. Tapscott, F. S. Godfrey, R. Mills, C. S. Scherer
Fulton School-T. B. McDevlit, P. Tomlinson, Ell Davis, Philo Holbrook, S. Wemer, P. Mo-Donald, R. H. Schwah, A. Marske,
Fulton Park School-A. Mattesen, A. Gowan, C. H. Muessdorffer, Jr., W. S. Curtis, A. L. Little, G. P. Walling.

C. H. Muessdorffer, Jr., W. S. Curtis, A. L.
Little, G. P. Walling.

Harrison School—S. R. Harrington, William
Sinolsir, C. W. Tracey, Dr. Alfred P. Watson,
Captain William Gadsby, P. Lawton, Pa-Holland, William Showers.

High School—Colonel James Jackson, Dr. H.
W. Cardwell, M. Buchanan, Josiah Kemp, C.
E. McDonell, Dr. W. H. Saylor, Dr. M. C.

and School-C H. Heller, George Older Frank F. Freeman, R. G. Shamp, George W. Dustin, G. E. Kavanaugh, R. S. Henley, C.

Hollariay School-Rev. C. E. Cline, I. A. Brown, C. C. Fratt, M. J. Morae, W. H. Robinson, C. P. Holloway, J. W. Graves, G. P. Merrill. North Central School—J. H. Woodward, J. E. Michael, G. E. Smith, W. S. Drake, M. Beacky, Captain L. H. Knapp, W. T. B. Mo-

Park School-H. B. Compson, S. C. Holbrook, J. E. Courtney, G. A. Jackson, L. M. Guy, Thomas Gibson, W. W. Jaques, E. Swan, V.

L. Masten.
Peninsular School-R. S. Greenleaf, H. N.
Pitzinger, J. Glessner, C. H. King, R. A.
Lamberson, M. R. Whitehead, C. A. Craft,

John Storan.

Portsmouth School-O. Summers, A. D. Shorno, G. M. Driver, D. McDonald, H. H. Holland, J. B. Hibbard, George H. Wigg.

Ockley Green School-Major A. F. Sears, Henry P. Hunter, Fred Rittnour, George H.

Sellwood School-E. M. Sargent, T. C. Bell, J. W. Campbell, W. N. Bates, E. Rich, J. Nevins, J. E. Merchant, J. M. Nickom, F. H.

Merrill.

South Portland School—Captain R. E. Davis,
L. B. Brooks, J. W. Curran, S. P. Lockwood,
S. J. Mickley, William Paimer, D. Montague,
Harry J. Hayes.

Stephens School—Rev. W. S. Gilbert, E. M.
Burnick, Fred Smith, E. S. Bramball, J. H.
Williams, H. C. Allen, W. C. Morrow.

Sunnyside School—Rev. H. A. Barden, W.
Petterson J. Payer, De Sanford Williams

Sunnyside School-Rev. H. A. Barden, W. M. Patterson, I. Brown, Dr. Sanford Whiting, E. E. Covey, A. C. Edmonds, George Manning, J. H. Upton.

Thompson School-Rev. W. T. Kerr, G. E. Caukin, M. T. Bunyon, Martin Pratt, D. Cavanaugh, H. A. Severance, B. B. Hayden, I. G. Darr, Dr. Charles B. Hill, Bruce Klatz, Williams, Assender, Ber. L. G. Darr, Dr. Charies B. Hill, Bruce Klatz, Williams-Avenue School-Rev. Alexander Blackburn, C. J. Ward, Jacob Diobenbach, D. C. Miller, R. F. Canterbury, William H. Wells, W. C. Holbrook, I. McGowan, Woodlawn School-F. L. Weigand, W. S. Cutler, S. Mitchell, W. M. Stanley, Capitain R. E. Davis, Charies F. Kennedy, William H. Weils, J. F. Walters, W. A. Magoon, Woodstock School-A. W. Miller, W. G. Aldrich, J. H. Aldrich, W. H. Bidgsly, A. G. Hall, W. D. Sloan, Martin Foster, John Dement.

ment.

Mount Tabor School-F. A. Colman, Daniel Drew, J. A. Braden, John Thisen, C. J. Lengwood, H. W. Kerrigan, C. H. Welch, A. L. Woodward.

Montavilla School-H. C. Rigby, W. M. Hutchinson, J. H. Heustis, George Lucke, H. C. York, Adam Paulk, W. E. Hayden, W. C. Stuart, C. F. Kennedy, H. S. Allen, H. Sutclief, M. J. Pearl.

It is recommended that the first named for each school communicate at ence with each member of the same detail, and

promptly at the various schools to which alleged by the employers that white and promptly at the various schools to which they have been assigned:

Almsworth School—A. C. Sloan, C. W. Cottel, John L. May, Cleveland Bockweil, H. S. Donnell, R. T. Chamberlain, M. C. Thompson, J. L. Misenheimer, Thomas V. Duno.

Atkinson School—J. W. Ogilbee, L. H. Suddemer, D. D. Neer, W. S. Powell, A. B. Gritzmacher, I. S. Thomas, D. K. Illiff, H. W. Clark, George Dorfler.

Brooklyn School—C. L. Pay, E. Martin, Danlei Clark, C. A. Bell, James Barr, E. D. Barrett, W. E. Driscol, T. H. Wheeler, Central School—F. M. Johnson, F. R. Neale, D. B. Bush, J. A. McKinnen, S. J. Barber, W. H. Blaney, James M. Howard, J. H. Way, E. B. Grant.

Chapman School—J. E. Mayo, H. Suteliff, R. V. Pratt, A. L. Johnston, L. T. Pierce, G. J. Essig, H. Thuman, Phillp Eder, L. Becker, Clinton-Kelly School—George Williams, F. Neldermark, Edward Gantenbein, J. A. Bradford, P. P. Bodley, Roy H. Hurley, William M. Harder. native laborers will not work steadily in ford, P. P. Bodley, Roy H. Huriey, William nesses, and, so I was informed, have made their presence severely felt in this line of industry.

J. Worlek, Arthur W. Kerron, M. L. Crane.

show the encouragement of Oriental immigration will not be necessary. I conferred with the Chamber of Commerce and also attended meetings of the labor unions for the purpose of getting all the information possible as a standard meeting of the labor unions at any cost, will try to make the compaign at any cost, will try to make the compaign at any cost, will try to make the purpose of getting all the information possible as a standard meeting and contest. Both parties will compete to make the best showing with this material and Congressional contest. Both parties will compete to make the best showing with this material and congressional contest. Both parties will compete to make the best showing with this material and congressional contest. tion possible on the subject and I am tak-ing back to Washington a lot of data especially regarding the wage schedules in the islands and the cost of products." That Mr. Sargent was much impressed by the representations made to him by the working people of the islands was apparent, and it is believed here that be will recommend some measure to check the influx of Japanese into the islands, as

MOODY WILL NOT RETIRE Secretary of the Navy Not Seeking a Place on Supreme Bench.

immigration to this coast.

OREGON NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 25.—Let a Cabinet officer turn his back on Washington, or get far away from the National Capital, and the first his back on Washington, or get far away from the National Capital, and the first thing the enterprising newspapers of the East do is to find some ulterior motive in his absenting himself from his desk. If they cannot rake up a sensation they do the next best thing, and find some new office for the absent official. This was recently true in the case of Secretary Moody. Hardly had he joined the President in the West before some of the Eastern papers discovered that he was to leave the Nevy Department at an early date, and the same elements whose advice and support he has had thus far in carrying out his anti-trust programme will not fail to keep him prodded to the concection of new devices for harman the context of the position of the comband of the context of the position of the companies before the country that they should Moody. Hardly had he joined the Presi-dent in the West before some of the East-ern papers discovered that he was to leave the Nevy Department at an early date, and take a seat on the Supreme Bench. This is not at all probable. Secretary Moody is much interested in the work of the Nevy Department, although there has been some friction with Sureau officers from time to time. When he took up the office it was with the expectation of hold-

Wiskham and Companion Free. ASTORIA, Or., May 26.—(Special.)—The reliminary hearing of Edward B. Wiskpreliminary hearing of Edward B. Wisk-ham and Mrs. Mellen, of Eugene, was held before Justice Young at Seaside yea-terday afternoon, on an information charging them with lewd consbitation. After hearing the testimony the court took the matter under advisement until this morning, when he discharged the de-fendants, saying the evidence was insuf-ficient to warrant holding them.

Special Jury at Astoria. ASTORIA, Or., May 26.—(Special.)— County Clerk Clinton received a letter from Judge McBride today directing him Stuart C. F. Kennedy, H. S. Allen, H. Sut-cliff, M. L. Pratt.

It is recommended that the first named for each school communicate at once with each member of the same detail, and make earnest effort to secure the attend-ance of all.

Pupils are requested to bring with them

HURTS HIS OWN CAUSE

DISGUST IN TRUST CIRCLES WITH PRESIDENT BAER'S OBSTINACY.

Refusal to Produce Contracts Has Excited Popular Opinion Against the Companies.

WASHINGTON, May 20 .- (Special to the New York Evening Post.)-The purpose of William R. Hearst, of New York. pose of William R. Hearst, of New York, in bringing the coal-carrying companies to book as violators of the law is nowhere to did in this city, where the 'motives behind sensational investigations are always subject to a rather prejudiced scrutiny. But what every one here has wondered at is the fatuous folly of Mr. Baer and the colleagues under his influence in playing so squarely into Mr. Hearst's hands. A noted corporation lawyer who makes his headquarters in this city because most of his practice is before the makes his headquarters in this city to cause most of his practice is before to Supreme Court, and who never looks a case unless the interest involved in runs into seven figures or more, e claimed the other day, after some pie claimed the other day, after some piece of particularly silly obstinacy on the part of one of his clients: "If there is any bigger fool than a millionaire it is a multi-millionaire." This was a aweeping summary of a line of hisman philosophy which had been borne in upon him in the course of a lifetime's practice with the affairs of rich men. Like other sweeping affairs of rich men. Like other sweeping summaries, it was an exaggeration; but the refusal of the Reading, Lehigh Valley, Likekawanna, New Jersey Central and Eric companies to produce the contracts called for by the subpenas issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission seemed to bear it out pretty well.

Of course, the Commission will not rest until the last resort is exhausted for the

or course, the commission with not rest until the last resort is exhausted for the defence of its authority to command the evidence it needs in an investigation of this sort. Equally of course, the trend of recent events judicial as well as administrative shows that it will not carry on its campaign in vain. The first pro-ceeding in such a case as the present is to certify to the Circuit Court of the United States the refusal of the sub-pensed witnesses to produce the docu-ments called for, and request the court ments called for, and request the court to order the papers produced. If the court decides that the witness was justified in his refusal the Commission has an appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States; if the Circuit Court desides in favor of the Commission, the witness can either succumb and thereby admit the foliy of his resistance, or he can re-fuse still to obey the order of the court, and thus invite arrest for contempt. Immediately on his arrest for contempt. Im-mediately on his arrest he can sue out a writ of haleas corpus, which it is fair to presume will be refused, and appeal to the Supreme Court will be the next to the Supreme Court will be the next stage, under conditions which make a speedy hearing inevitable. On the initiative of one side or the other, therefore, the Supreme Court will undoubtedly be called upon to hear an argument on appeal at the October session, the same at which the all-important merger case will hear its final hearing. will have its final hearing.

It stands to reason that if—as there is every indication—the ultimate disposal of the question of producing the contracts the question of producing the contracts goes against the companies, popular opinion will be strongly adverse to them; for the first suspicion which attaches in the public mind to such a performance is that there must be something bad to conceal, or there would be no cause for all this secrecy. Had the companies taken counsel of their calm judgment rather than of their bad blood, they would have produced the contracts promptly and dethan of their bad blood, they would have produced the contracts promptly and defied the prosecuting interest to find anything unlawful in them. No one will say that the Commission would have been affected in its course by these different tactics; but the judicial aspects of the case are only part of those which claim consideration; the political aspects are quite as important for some reasons, and the political aspects are materially modified by an episode like that of the contracts over the secret contracts.

For it must not be forgotten that the contracts are known to exist, and that, in

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the charges filed with the Department of Justice and the Interstate Commerce Commission at about the same time last Winter, the informant included copies of these troublesome documents. How they were obtained is neither here nor there; it is safe to say that there will be no attempt to impeach their authenticity, if issue is ever joined directly on that question. Now, to bring out the text of these contracts, formally certified or not, and accompany it with the story of the Contrary to the expressions of opinion accompany it with the story of the long made to me by planters and other employ-ers, the working people think there is no reason for an increased importation of Asiatic labor. They hold that if the Summer's Presidential and Congressional at any cost, will try to make it appear that the Democratic party is responsible for hunting down the coal trust. The Re-publican managers, who by that time will probably have a chance to point to the prosecution of the trust by the Federal Administration in full swing, will put Administration in full swing, will put in a counter claim. No matter which party the public credits with the successful trust-hunt, the ultimate sufferer is the alleged trust. The near approach of another Winter, with however small a constant rise in the price of coal, will incite the mass of the people to any sort of extremity for "getting even" with the operators whom it will hold accountable for such conditions: and if there is any there is grave fear of an increase of their operators whom it will hold accountable for such conditions; and if there is any machinery which can still be put in motion to make the situation less agreeable for the operators, and their business less profitable, there are plenty of ingenious politicians at hand to discover it and pull the lever.

Of the two parties, undoubtedly that the Nevy Department at an early date, and take a seat on the Supreme Bench. This is not at all probable. Secretary Moody is much interested in the work of the Nevy Department, although there has been some friction with Bureau officers from time to time. When he took up the office, it was with the expectation of holding on until the close of the present Administration. Mr. Moody's best friends in Washington know nothing of the proposal to appoint him a member of the Supreme Court when the next vacancy occurs, and the fact that Massachusetts already his one member of the Supreme Bench would no doubt operate against the selection of the new Secretary of the Navy. creasing disinte of the balk of our respectable citizens for irresponsible labor union domination. In short, had they desired to do the utmost possible to advance the interests of Mr. Roosevelt's re-election programme, they could not have proceeded with finer skill from the day his intervention in the affairs of the coal industry became and this is the cardier of these began. And this is the verdict of the

began. And this is the rerdict of those who still sympathize with them rather than with him.

No two politicians here agree as to the impelling cause of the Administration's delay in prosecuting the coal carriers. Some of the wiseacres assert that nothing was done last Winter because the charges were filed by a Democratic seeker for office and the proprietor of several sensational newspapers, to whom it would have been "bad politics" to give so large an advantage in the coming National campaign. Others argue that, as the temporary arbitration commission was then in the midst of its work, it would have been untimely as well as ungracious for any permanent Government organism to interfere. Still others recall the fact that the operators had the game then in their own

hands, so that had they chosen to be hounded in this way we might as well cease production and shut down the mines till we can find out definitely where we stand," the whole American people would have suffered great distress from the fuel famine; hence, that the Administration showed a patriotic prudence in postponing further action till warm weather.

There may be a strain of fact running through all these fancies. But there is also a very good reason which will appeal to the lawyers who know with what cold-blooded professional deliberation Attorney-General Knox lays out his diagrams for action. The merger case was already under way: it could not be settled for some months; on it would turn a number of features of the proposed campaign against the trusts. "One thing at paign against the trusts. "One thing at a time," is the Attorney-General's motto generally. To this situation it seemed more than commonly pertinent. Mean-while, through the agency of the Inter-

FAMOUS BATANIST. IS DEAD Professor Woodman's Busy Career Is Brought to a Close,

state Commerce Commission's investiga-tion, it would be possible to amass and marshal a number of facts, the ascertain-ment of which would have time when the

regular judicial proceedings should be

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., May M.-Professor Harvey T. Woodman, of this city, whose death is announced here at the age of T, was a world-famous authority in natural history. For more than 40 years he was engaged in the collection of shells and prehistoric relies and fossils. Professor Woodman helped to build the college museums of natural history of Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Columbia, Corraie, Harvard, Princeton, Columbia, Cor-neil and other universities. He was also one of the experts of the Smithsonian In-stitution. He was engaged by the Smith-sonian institution to conduct many of its expeditions. He studied the coral reefs of Floria for the Government for 13 years, and spent several years investigating the Gulf stream and currents at Dry Tortu-gas. gas.

years ago Professor Woodman gained international fame by his theory that America populated Europe, and not Europe this country.

Noted Yellow-Fever Expert.

NEW YORK, May 28.-Dr. Octavius A. NEW YORK, May 28.—Dr. Octavius A. White, a famous yellow fever expert, is dead in this city, aged 28. While a surgeon in the Confederate Army, Dr. White was sent into the Union lines at Goldsborough, N. C., to treat Northern soldiers afflicted with yellow fever, and in the Confederate prison at Florence, S. C., he won the love of many Union men by his kindness during a similar performance. He was born in Charleston, S. C., February 8, ISE. At the close of the war he moved to New York, where he lived until his death. Dr. White made several important medical discoveries.

Officers of Asteria Reading Club. ASTORIA, Or., May M .- (Special.)-The Astoria Reading Club held its annual meeting last evening and elected the following officers to serve during the ensuing year: President, Mrs. P. A. Trullinger; vice-president, Mrs. C. R. Thomson; secretary, Mrs. A. J. Taylor; treasurer, Miss E. C. Warren.

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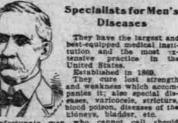
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