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**COURTING BY TELEPHONE**  
Chauncey Olcott, the Actor, and Mrs. Mollineux Expected to Wed.  
ST. PAUL, Sept. 18.—(Special.)—Chauncey Olcott, the actor, and Mrs. Mollineux, who recently secured a divorce in South Dakota, will be man and wife before the show files, if the statements of officials of the Bell Telephone Company in the St. Paul district have any basis. The actor is playing in Minneapolis and, according to the stories being told, he and Mrs. Mollineux, who is now in New York, hold daily communication over the long-distance telephones and endearing messages are constantly being transmitted over the wires. It is asserted by the telephone officials and operators who have heard the tender words spoken that Olcott is said to have a wife living and, so far as known, no divorce proceedings have as yet been filed.

**Dull Trade Causes Colliers to Close**  
SHAMOKIN, Pa., Sept. 18.—The Cameron and Luke Piddler colliers, employing 2500 men and boys, closed down indefinitely today on account of the dull coal trade.

## MEET A REBUFF

### Ministers Turned Down by Mayor.

### GAMBLING NOT TO STOP

### City Executive Will Not Change Policy of Fines.

### WARM WORDS WITH DR. HILL

### Mayor Denounces the Clergyman's Open Letter as an Infamous Outrage, and an Insult to Him and His Family.

The Ministerial Association has discovered where the Mayor stands on the gambling question. Mayor Williams daily refuses to encourage the Ministerial Association in its efforts to suppress gambling. He takes the position that if the gamblers did not secure immunity by paying monthly fines, they would secure it by corrupting city officials. While Mayor Williams is not altogether satisfied that his present policy is the best course, he is determined to give it a careful trial. "It is not my responsibility for its inauguration," he says, "but I am responsible for acquiescing in it at present."

If the Ministerial Association is to stop gambling in Portland, it must do it without the aid of the city administration. To a committee of five ministers who called upon him yesterday, Mayor Williams stated emphatically that he would not change his present policy of permitting the games to run providing that they paid a monthly fine into the city treasury. "But that is precisely licensing gambling," said the committee. "Precisely," said the Mayor in effect. "We need the money."

To use Mayor Williams' own words, the interview was protracted and exciting. The excitement was occasioned by the Mayor reading to Dr. Edgar P. Hill an extract from the open letter which Dr. Hill wrote him recently, and which was published in *The Oregonian*. The extract read: "You say that gamblers are so persistent that it is hopeless to attempt to destroy the evil. Since when, I ask, has persistency on the part of evil given it exemption from the hand of the law? Surely a just man would persist in his faithful attempt to violate the honor of a member of your household, would you, after trying to toll him for a time, say, 'But, I am entirely opposed to your foul designs, but because you are so persistent I will withdraw my opposition?'"

"It was an infamous outrage," "No pure-minded man," cried Mayor Williams, as he turned on Dr. Hill, "would have written such a statement. It was an infamous outrage. It was an insult to me and to my family. There were a thousand other illustrations that you could have used to point your moral."

Dr. Hill explained that he did not dream of making any personal application of the parallel, and said he did not think that any person could take legitimate offense at it. "I have no apology to make," he concluded. After thoroughly convincing themselves that Mayor Williams would not agree to change his present policy toward gambling, the committee rose to leave, and while doing so expressed their disappointment at the Mayor's attitude.

"The world is full of disappointments," said Hill, and the interview was closed. But not the battle. "Just what our course will be in the future," said Dr. E. L. House yesterday, "has not fully been decided."

## OREGON IN 1905

### Irrigationists Go to El Paso in 1904.

### BOISE IN SECOND PLACE

### Desire of Delegates to See Portland Its Waterloo.

### FAVOR LEWIS AND CLARK FAIR

### Fight on Land Laws Ends by Demand for Modification—Webfoot State is Awarded Gold Medal on All Its Exhibits.

OREGON FRUIT WINS MEDALS.  
Oregon captured gold medals in everything it competed for at the Irrigation Congress. Following are the awards:  
Apples—Joseph A. Wilson, Hood River. Mr. Wilson also received a cash prize of \$50.  
Pears—Kiesel-Shilling-Danielson Fruit Company, of Ontario.  
Plums—A. L. Dale, Union.  
Prunes—Shields Fruit Company, Freewater.  
C. W. Mallett, of Ontario, was awarded the second prize for honey.

OGDEN, Sept. 18.—(Special.)—While Portland did not secure the National Irrigation Congress for 1904, and saw Boise, its choice, defeated by El Paso, yet we secured pledges from Texas, Minnesota, Idaho and Washington that they will vote for Portland for the convention in 1906. The Texas delegation was for a time incensed at Oregon because her vote was cast for Boise when they had been led to think Oregon would cast at least ten votes for El Paso. When it was explained to the Texas men that Oregon adopted the unit rule, and that Boise secured Oregon's vote by the bare majority of one of the entire delegation, they said they would stand by Oregon for 1906, provided Oregon sent a delegation of energetic men to El Paso next year. The support of the local delegation is a big thing. It was Utah's support that captured the congress for El Paso today.

At the caucus of the Oregon delegation this morning the Eastern Oregon delegates all voted for El Paso in the interest of Portland for 1906, contending that to send the convention to Boise in 1904 would militate against Portland in 1906, for the reason it would be next to impossible to have the convention meet in the Northwest two years in succession. The Portland and Western Oregon delegates all voted in favor of Boise, giving that city Oregon's vote by one majority.

The Oregon delegation today distributed a large amount of Lewis and Clark literature, and the resolution adopted contained a very hearty endorsement for a large Congressional appropriation for the 1905 Fair.

The Oregon delegation voted a resolution of thanks for the bundle of Oregonians received daily while in Ogden. A portion of the delegation went to Salt Lake tonight and the others will start home tomorrow.

**LAND-LAW FIGHT IS LOST.**  
**Vote Is for Modification Instead of Repeal of Three Acts.**  
OGDEN, Sept. 18.—The 11th National Irrigation Congress came to an end late this afternoon. It re-elected Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana, president, and decided to hold the congress of 1904 in El Paso, and

## RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT NATIONAL IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

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## BAKED TO DEATH

### Turks Throw Children Into an Oven.

### KILL WOMEN IN REVENGE

### One Death at the Hands of the Rebels Costs 200 Lives.

### OFFICIALS LOOK ON SILENTLY

### Great Britain, France and Italy Notify Turkey That the Massacres Must Cease—Bulgaria Hopes War Will Be Averted.

Here is the appalling record of massacres ordered by the Sultan:  
Number slain.  
Smerdesch, May 21..... 150  
Saida, Algeria, June 2..... 60  
Monastir, August 23..... 450  
Salonica, August 24, Bulgarians..... 300  
Salonica, August 24, Greeks..... 60  
Salonica, August 24, Vlachs..... 30  
Sofia, Bulgaria, August 23..... 650  
Sofia, Bulgaria, August 23..... 650  
Sofia, Bulgaria, September 1, men..... 180  
Sofia, Bulgaria, September 1, men and women..... 200  
Sofia, Bulgaria, September 8, Bulgarians..... 65,000  
Sofia, Bulgaria, September 12, general report..... 60,000  
Kastoria, September 15..... 10,000  
The names of towns indicate from whence reports reached America:  
Killed by disease and privation, women and children..... 50,000  
Villages plundered and burned..... 111  
Recent separate Bulgarian Government reports of massacres, murder and rapine..... 131  
Men, women and children driven into other districts..... 3,000  
Cast into prison..... 2,800  
Shot and burned in Smerdesch..... 200  
Houses burned in Smerdesch..... 250  
August 24..... 575  
Sofia, Bulgaria, report of August 23, towns burned..... 22  
Turkish troops engaged in murdering and pillaging..... 200,000

LONDON, Sept. 18.—As a result of the intervention of the British Ambassador, the decree of expulsion has not been enforced against the Daily Mail's correspondent at Monastir, who, under the date of September 15, telegraphed: "A veritable reign of terror exists here. Suspected Christians vanish utterly, presumably to prison. Spies abound on every hand. The following are some tales of atrocities which I have thoroughly authenticated. The Turks burned 18 children to death in a baking oven at Blosier, near Armetzon, on September 12. They massacred 200 women and children at Jovan in revenge for a death at the hands of the insurgents. Fifty women and children returning from the mountains to their devastated homes were murdered by soldiers. Between September 10 and September 12 the Bashli Bazaraks destroyed four villages near Krushevo, in the presence of Kaimak (administrator) of Krushevo, massacring and mutilating the inhabitants."

The Daily Mail's Constantinople correspondent says the Porte is dissatisfied with Bulgaria's assurance to France that the mobilization of Bulgarian forces is only intended to prevent bands from passing the frontier, and a high military commission is now sitting in the Yildiz Kiosk, considering a plan for the invasion of Eastern Roumelia.

A dispatch from Salakov to the Times, dated September 18, says the number of Macedonian emigrants and refugees along the frontier is daily increasing, and it is calculated that there are now 20,000 in the various towns, villages and border districts from Burgas to Kostendil, all eagerly looking forward to the day of reckoning of the Turks. Many are compelled to remain inactive through the insufficient supply of arms and ammunition. The committees find difficulty in keeping pace with the demand for rifles, as the weapons are arriving slowly and irregularly, owing to the various obstacles encountered in transit.

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