ator Hansbrough, "it will have the effect

of making the desert land entryman

practically a three-year homesteader, be

ause he will be required to live on his

land and make improvements for three

years before making proof, and he can

brought about the indictment of about 100

men in Montana, who were engaged in

attempts to make fraudulent desert

proofs. This demonstrates that the land

laws, in the main, are all right, and if

the Interior Department will continue to

enforce them there will be no just com-

Rural Carriers for Washington.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash

ington, Oct. 16.-(Special.)-Rural free

delivery carriers were appointed today

Mondovi-Regular, Elmer F. Turner;

St. John-Regular, Elmer E. Chand-

Washington-McCain, Joseph V. Pros-

er, vice Isaac G. McCain, resigned;

Pateros, O. B. Nelson, vice Jessie E.

Nosler, resigned; Trout Lake, Charles

W. Moore, vice William F. Stadelman, re-

PORTLAND TO BE HEARD

National Educational Association

Considering Next Meeting Place.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 16 .- The executive com

nittee of the National Educational Asso ciation, which will select the time and place for next year's meeting of the asso-

ciation, was in session here today. No de-

cision was reached. From here the com-mittee will go to Chicago to meet repre-

sentatives from Portland, Or., which city

cago, the committee will announce its de-

OREGON AFTER MEETING.

Evangelical Church Will Be Asked

to Come West in 1907.

BERLIN, Ontario, Oct. 16.-The many

members of the Evangelical church who have been agitating for years for lay rep-

resentatives in the conferences have had

conference decided by a vote of \$7 to 2 in

favor of lay delegates in general confer-ences. Lay representation in annual con-

Oregon and Chicago delegates are after the conference in 1907.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Colonel Lawrence S. Babbitt.

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.-Colonel Lawrence

S. Babbitt, U. S. A., retired, is dead in Dover, N. J., after an illness of three years. He was graduated from West

Point in 1861 and served in the Civil War and Indian campaigns of 1878 and 1879. Celonel Babbitt was successively in com-

Well-Known Dentist.

Identifies Murderer on Deathbed

NEW YORK, Oct. 16 -- A scene unlou

where an aged woman in her dving mo

cials Patrick Shea as the murderer of William McMahon. Shea stood menacied

mand of the St. Louis, Fort Monro

ferences was overwheimingly defeated.

signed.

for Washington routes as follows:

Charles; substitute, Frank Hosler.

Farmington - Regular,

substitute, Mark E. Turner.

Spangle-Regular, John C. substitute, Charles W. Frick.

make no assignment during that time. "The Interior Department has recently

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LOSS IS FULLY A MILLION

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FUTILE STRUGGLE OF FIREMEN

Montesano and Hooniam Volunteers Lend Effective Aid-Mill Property Not Touched in Confingration That Burns Business Section.

THE CAUSE.

One floor of the Mack building, in Aberdeen, was occupied by bachelors in reduced circumstances, who used gasoline stoves to cook meals prepared by themselves. It is alleged that these men were very careless in the use of the easily combustible oil. When the fire was first discovered the upper story of the Mack building was all ablaze. With the exception of the Kaufman block the district swept over by the flames was built up with frame structures, that were eaten up very

ABERDEEN, Oct. 16.-(Special.)-Seven solid blocks, embracing every business house of prominence in Aberdeen, a large number of dwellings, the Opera-House, the Central School building, the Edison and Olympus Theaters, the Crescent Hotel, the Pacific Hotel, the new fire deheadquarters, the Council Chamber, the fire alarm system, every law office, and a hospital-all were included in a district covered by a fire which started this forenoon in the Mack block on hume street. The loss is estimated at not less than \$1,000,000, and the insurance is not more than onethird.

There were four fatalities from falling wasts and suffocation and five other persons were slightly injured. All the buildburned, except the Kaufman block, were of wood, and only vacant areas of land here and there prevented the entire town from being fuel for the flames.

The Dead and Injured, death list is as follows:

CHARLES RALFO DANIEL WEBSTER, CALVIN MCKENZIE, UNKNOWN MAN.

The injured-John Steen, kicked in head by runaway horse; J. D. Hansen, head by runaway horse; J. D. Hansen, head and body bruised; A. Bretherg, head cut; H. W. Lacey, kicked in the head by runaway horse; John Mills, Hoquinm, Injured in the foot; William Oglesby, partly suffocated. The fire started in the Mack block, a

three-story structure, occupied by impoverished bachelors, who cooked their meals on small oil stoves. In one of these rocms a blaze was seen but before the department got to work the interior was a. mass of flames. Two lives were lost in the building.

The fire jumped from this building to the fire department headquarters, a new building, with a high tower on G street. Then it crossed the alley and destroyed all the buildings on the south side of Heron street, between F and G, and purtially ruined all those on the north side of Heron. Then it jumped across G street and burned every building on Heron between G and I and H and K and two blocks north and south, an east wind carrying burning embers in every direc-

Goods Taken From Buildings.

The business men and people were panic-stricken and goods were removed from all the buildings destroyed and from every residence within a radius of 20 blocks. The excitement was at the greatest tension, there not being sufficient wagons to get goods away from the fire and the fact that so little insurance was carried made the condition the more aggravating. The lack of sufficient hose and the failure of the big new engine to work properly kept the Fire Department from saving property and dynamite was used at several points to stop the progress of the fire. The arrival of the departments of Montesano and Hoquiam and a large corps of volunteers from each place helped materially in getting the fire under control at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The fortunnate circumstance of the fire is that no mill property was burned and no one is thrown out of employment, except store clerks and this will be but tempo-

A Blessing in Disguise.

While the fire will be severely felt by all business men it is looked upon in one sense as being auspicious for the future of the city as the Council will establish a fire district and permit only the erection of brick and stone buildings. Among the heaviest losers are: N. G. Kaufman, Charles Vesey and George Wolf, large dry goods dealers; Griggs & Smith, hardware men, the State Bank and the Bank of Hayes & Hayes, all the restaurant men in the city, 15 finely equipped saloons, the three well-equipped jewelry stores of E. H. Pfund, Burnett Bros; the clothing-houses of F. Vogel, James Fuller and George Fischer; the drug stores of Evans & Co., Smits Company and F. E. Oison; the art store of Norin & Hartung, the grocery house of F. Becker, the Aberdeen Grocery Company, and the new grocery house of Gabrielson & Holmes.

Professional Men Burned Out. In addition to these are dentists, law-

and real estate men and other per living in the upper stories. Gray's Harbor Electric Car Company will ose \$3000 by burned tracks and the telegraph, telephone and electric light companies by burned wires and apparatus. The city will lose at least \$20,000 with an insurance of about \$3000.

The city's loss includes its Council Chamber, 400 feet of hose, an enginehouse, schoolhouse, fire alarm system and a large amount of planked streets. The Opera-House destroyed was recently rebuilt at a cost of \$5000 and the Gray's Harbor Hospital Association loses a building, partially constructed and a lot of building material.

Tonight a large number of deputy poicemen are on duty and the homeles are being taken care of. The city is lighted by the flames of many piles of debr's and thousands of visitors are here from all parts of the Gray's Harbor and

Citisens in a Panie.

Men, women and children ran every way with what goods they could carry. Many women and children were in tears and several men were being carried along with blood streaming from their faces. All sorts of reports concerning the death or injury of well-known business men contributed to the distress.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the fire was inder control and persons whose property had been in the track of the advancing flames breathed easier and the stan pede of horses and people was finally over and the collection of wits and goods began. The following is a list of the principal losers.

List of the Losers. John O. Hare, liquor dealer, building and

J. G. Lewis, building occupied by Dowes & Thompson, fiquor dealers.
R. T. Dabney, building occupied by Boston oyster house and M. Kaukman, fiquor

Mrs. A. J. Anderson, building occupied by Evans Drug Company.
George Fisher's ciothing store. Olympus Theater building, owned by Lewis & Lewis.

Restaurant, Mitchell Franciscovitch Ole Peterson, building occupied by D. J. Heffron and L. W. Walker. Grant Wheeler, building occupied by

Fogel's clothing store.

N. G. Kaukman, building and stock.

J. C. Cross, attorney; R. J. Hitz, M. R.
Sherwood, Eugene France, C. A. Clark, N.
W. Bush, Aberdeen Lumber & Shingle
Company, Colonel J. W. Tokins.

Mes. J. A. Hood building occupied by T.

Mrs. J. A. Hood, building occupied by

Saloon owned by Harmon & Pearsall, Ta-Samuel Henn, building occupied by Sai-ration Army and confectionery store. Aberdeen Brewing Company, building oc-

cupied by Union saloon. Mrs. Mason, San Francisco, building occupled by Gem saloon.

O. L. Crain, building known as Mack block, where the fire originated.
City of Aberdeen, fire hall and jall

E. R. Drake, building occupied by Jacobs' Smith Drug Company's stock, building owned by R. T. Dabney; D. E. E. Lane, dental office upstairs; J. C. Hogan, attorney, office furniture and Biray.

Dahley block in G street occupied by Logge's restaurant; Drake's barber shop and two second-hand stores.

A. L. Anderson, building occupied by Ole

A. J. Anderson, building occupied by nen M. Katurich, restaurant; R. R. Bassett, stock merchandise.

Dabney & Pearson, building occupied by Hudson's second-hand store.

The Bodega building, owned by Devon-R. T. Dabney, three buildings, one occu-(Concluded on Page 3.)

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mator Hansborough, of North Dakota, will introduce a bill for the sale of timber lands at auction, and requiring final proof before desert entries can be transferred. Page 1 ngressman Jones, of Washington, will how to the will of his constituency and vote for Cuben reciprocity, although opposing it. Domestic.

Dowle "restoration bost" reaches New York, and will move on the "enemy" today. Page 1. National Civic Pederation is almost sure to

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Aberdeen, Wash., is visited by a fire that destroys seven blocks of buildings, value about \$1,000,000; four lives are lost, and five other men are injured. Page 1. oting Sheriff Corcoran Issues orders to shut down all Seattle slot machines, under pen-

alty of confiscation. Page 4. Two Folsom convicts released and three have sentences commuted for aid to officers in recent delivery. Page 4.

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Will Be Renewed.

HANSBOROUGH IS ACTIVE

ler; substitute, Frank Colon.

North Dakotan Will Also Introduce Bill Providing for Reform in Desert Entries-Friend of Homestead Commutation Statute,

TIMBER-Sale to the highest bidder in tracts not exceeding 320 acres. lands, at present, are sold for

DESERT-Prohibiting the assign ment of entries until final proof is entered, thus making the entryman a three-year homesteader Now, transfers are allowable as soon as filings are made.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washthe repeal or radical modificaand homestead commutation laws, begun in the last Congress, is to be renewed with vigor early in the coming session A number of Western Senators and Rep-

The department is not prepared to present substitutes for the laws now on the statutes, but prefers to defer to the wishes of Congress. The department's only desire is to have the laws so amended as to prevent land speculation and exploitation by corporations, and to

domain by bona fide homescekers.

Senator Hansbrough favors the repeal stitution of a law authorizing the sale of San Antonio arsenais. He descended from public timber lands at auction. He also a long line of military men. advocates amendment of the desert land act, but believes the commutation clause of the homestead act should not be allowed to stand. Early in the session he intends to offer a bill embodying his views. His bill will provide for the sale to the highest bidder of public timber lands, in at his home here at midnight. tracts not exceeding 320 acres, the stand and value of the timber to be estimated | Prominent New Jersey Republican. by Government experts prior to sale. At present timber lands are sold for \$2.50 an Henry M. Snyder, Jr., died today of conscre. Under the Hansbrough bill no gestion of the lungs. Mr. Snyder was person or corporation could purchase

Timber and Stone Act.

SUBSTITUTE HE ADVOCATES

POLICY OF HANSBOROUGH.

lems, is one of the men urging reforms.

encourage the settlement of the public

more than one tract. Desert Entrymen Must Prove Pp. Senator Hansbrough proposes to amend the desert land law by adding a provision prohibiting the assignment, by an entryman, of his desert right prior to makingfinal proof. As the law now stands an entryman can assign as soon as the filing

is made.

Fight on Land Measures

Senator Favors Repeal of

New Northwest Postmasters. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 16 - (Special.) - Postmasters were appointed today as follows: Oregon-Lostine, Simon L. McKenzie vice Bessie C. Poley, resigned.

\$2.50 per acre.

is making a strong effort to secure the convention. After the conference in Chiington, Oct. 16 .- (Special.)-The fight tion of the timber and stone, desert land resentatives have been conferring with the Interior Department with a view to their efforts rewarded with partial success.

After a prolonged discussion today, the preparing bills to amend the existing laws. Senator Hansbrough, of North Dakota, chairman of the public lands committee, and one of the most influential men interested in public land prob-

Timber Lands to Highest Bidder.

"If my amendment prevails," says Sen- beside the bed.



THE MODERN "ELIJAH"

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Zionist Army Ready to Invade New York.

MOVE ON ENEMY TODAY

Wife of Leader Is Robbed of Valuable Diamond Pin.

GREAT CROWDS MEET TRAINS

Restoration Host" Proceeds Direct. to Madison Square Garden to Music of Bands and the Singing of Hymns,

GREETING BY DOWIE.

To the People of New York: In the name of Christ, the King of Kings, I great you with His message: Peace be to this house; and

send you these words;
As Elljah the Restorer, accompanted by a legion of 3000 messengers of Zion Restoration Host, I have arranged for a visitation of your city from Lord's day, October 18 to November 1, in Madison Square Garden, and on November 1, 3, 6, and S in Carnegle Hall. Beneath the banner of the Chris-

tian Catholic Church in Zion and the stars and stripes I shall pro-(1) The Everlasting Gospel of the

Kingdom of God. (2) Repentance, restitution, salvation, healing, and hely living, (3) Baptism by triune immersion (4) Obedience, the eleven commandments, and the law of love. (5) Christian union and co-opera-

tion in church, home, business, and state. (6) The downfall of all forms apostasy, 'secreey, and tyranny,

(7) The "restoration of all things." (Acts III., 19-26.) Faithfully your friend and God's

JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE

NEW YORK, Oct. 16 .- The "Restoration Host," under the leadership of John Alexander Dowie, garrisoned Madison-Square Garden today and completed

preparations to saily forth tomorrow op the works of the "enemy." The first detachment, numbering about 600, arrived early in the morning, and the remaining trains followed during the day ANN ARBOR, Mich., Oct. 16.-Dr. Jonathan Taft, one of the best-known dentists of the country, and founder and for and evening. Leaving the ferryboat, the crusaders boarded special cars which many years dean of the dental depart-ment of the University of Michigan, died were in waiting and proceeded direct to the Garden, to the music of their bands

and the singing of hymns. As soon as the first cars started the CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 16 .- City Solicitor crowd on board began singing a hymn and a large crowd of curious spectators gathered around those waiting outside 46 years of age, and active in Republican the ferry-house. Men in the Dowle party distributed tracts. The men were all dressed in uniform resembling that worn by the United States Infantry, but the women did not wear uniforms. The crowd in criminal procedure occurred today in a dingy room of an East Side tenement, around the ferry-house grew so large that ments identified before Magistrate Bar-low and a full complement of court offi-

it blocked the street and police drove the spectators back to the curb. The general overseer himself, accompanied by his family and Staff, arrived in his special train at the Grand Central Station, where, owing to a misunderstanding, his private carriage failed to meet him and he was compelled to go to

the Plaza Hotel in a hack. Mrs. Dowie Is Robbed.

During the confusion of leaving the train, a thief slipped into Mrs. Dowle's reception room on the car and stole a \$1500 diamond and pearl brooch. From the Plaza Dr. Dowie went to the

Garden, where he restored order out of the general confusion that prevalled and outlined his plans in an interview with the newspaper men. He denied that he intended to raise a fund of \$59,000,000 while here and declined to say whether he was going to found another Zion City here. It is intended to begin the houseto-house visitations tomorrow, and the first public service will be held in the Garden on Sunday.

One of the features of the party was the unior choir, consisting of about 50 little boys. There was also a drum and fife corps of 30 men dressed in khaki uniforms. Thirty per cent of the party were women and children of all nationalities. One hundred of the Dowieltes who

reached the city via the Pennsylvanta Railroad ferry were met by a score of boarding-house keepers. They were hurried in cabs or trolley cars to Madison-Square Carden. It required more than ten trucks to haul all their baggage to this city. Some of the trunks were decorated with small gold crosses printed on white paper and stuck on the baggage. Invasion of Madison Square Garden,

Madison-Square Garden, which is to be the headquarters of the host for most of the time they are here, was soon occupied by 1800 citizens of Zion City. Each presented at the entrance a card bearing the photograph of the holder and every personwas carefully scrutinized by Director-General Mitchell. All had expected to breakfast in the

garden, but as it had been arranged not to make provision today for any meals before 5 o'clock this evening they left the garden in search of a meal in neighboring restaurants. Scattered around the entrance to the garden were the Zion

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