ping trade by nursing it in this artificial way. On the contrary, it has resulted in

an inferior condition wherever promul-

Forecast of Conditions in the North

Pacific Ocean.

Ocean for December gives the following forecast of wind and weather for the

Throughout the entire stretch between

Squally weather, with rain and frequent

entire area, the latter from SSE, to

Continuing southward NW'ly winds may

be expected as far as Acapulco, covering a belt extending 300 miles off shore. From 15 deg. to 10 deg. NEly

direction will be SE. The average frequency of calms between these parallels is 20 per cent (20 hours in each hundred).

which is the absence of thunder storms.

An elongated trough of low barometer

(pressure 29.60 inches) covers the Aleu-

Throughout the month the NE, mon-soon will cover the China and Celebes

Seas, the Philippine Islands, and the

eastern coast of Asia as far north as Shanghai. Beyond this point the prevail-

ing direction of the wind will be North

to NW. The NE, monsoon attains a maximum strength and constancy along

the stretch between Macao and Chusan.

hibits a marked tendency to follow the

coast. Here it also weakens slightly by night, and at the same time blows somewhat off shore, often permitting a

vessel close under the land to make headway against it. The monsoon brings

thick rainy weather on the northern end and eastern coast of Formosa and Lu-zon, making navigation difficult. A ris-

ing barometer foreruns an increase in strength, a falling barometer a decrease. Throughout the Philippine Archipelago

during December and January NE'ly winds will prevail, often attaining con-

Abundant rain along th

Coast. For Manila the average dimatological conditions during Decem ber are: Pressure, 29.56 Inches; tempera-ture 7 deg. F.; rainfall 22 Inches. For January they are: Pressure, 29.98 Inches; temperature, 77 deg. F.; rainfall, 1.1

siderable force, especially with

the ocean a W'ly direction.

gales, may be expected throughout

# REAL "BARNSTORMERS" IN OREGON CITY Actors, Who Get \$6 a Week and Board, Have to Play in the Band.

stage." So read the lithographs of the Margarita Fischer Company, which are hung on every fence in Oregon City to compete for public attention with the dale.

mewling infants who want castoria and able-bodied buil whose connection with tobacco is well known and painfully Inappropriate.

"On tour in her repertoire of Tamous plays," continued the lithograph I was staring at. Printed in muddy purples paid a week. and faded reds the advertising was refleemed only by the picture of a pretty girl, not more than 18 years of age, evi-Bently the "youngest leading lady on the Mage.

Three nights at Shively's Opera-House at popular prices," screamed the explanaposter, and in various other spots on the fence were alluring admonitions not to miss this golden opportunity to see the greatest actress of modern times

Shamefacedly I reflected that I did not know Margarita Fischer, That she seemed to be attaining fame apeared to be an altogether sufficient reason for the rectisltogether sufficient reason for the recti-fying of this social omission, and after sue inquiry I stumbled up the dark and unclean staircases of the Electric Hotel to a room wherein abode the manager of the show. Very suspicious was this man-the show. Very suspicious was this manthe show. Very suspicious was this man-

You want to roast the show," he announced candidly. "Oregon City's one of

mpanies whose vicissitudes have been range from 16 to 115 a week with board.
"Where do you get your actors?" orist, one of those traveling aggregations known as "barnstormers" because they play in hamlets where there is no public ball, and so have to separate the inhabiface, and suspecting that the pictures in

HE youngest leading lady on the fear I had insulted the whole company, "Sure we do." said the manager gen-ially "We played at Salem the other day; Heppner Junction before that; Millvale, Durkee Station, Pleasant Valley and Ari-ington. Next week we go to Golden-

> Then he explained that as many of the places were not on a railroad line, it was necessary to ride in wagons over much of their route.
> "We carry nearly 20 people," he con cluded, but he would not tell me what actors in a harnstorming company were

"They do better than \$5 and cakes," said he with a triumphant inflection, and I was reminded of the lady who bearded Maurice Ziegfeldt in his den and asked for a job as a chorus girl in the Anna

Held production. "I can sing contraito or soprano," said the aspirant. "Have played soubrette parts all over the country. Was with a Tom show as Eliza, am a good ingenue, comedienne or heavy woman, can do spe-cialties between the acts if desired, and

Ziegfeldt managed to stem the cata-"How much do you want?" he in-

"Ive been gittin six and cakes," gur-

reads "Five dollars a week, board and room." Railroad fares are always paid, but in nearly every company the mem-bers must provide their own hotel accomthe biggest towns we play in, and we don't want to be roasted."

Surely here was one of those theatrical in a company like the Fischer troupe "Where do you get your actors?" I asked as visions gathered of haughty leading men who spoke lightly of "two and a half" and "one and a quarter"

when they meant \$250 and \$125. "Of course, your leading lady owns the show, tants from their money by appearing in course, your leading lady owns the show, a barn. Rarely does the urban dweller but where do the other players come meet the storied "barnstormers" face to from?" "You want to roast us," repeated the

the comic papers might be inaccurate, I began to search for information.
"Do you play anything but the water-tank stops?" I asked and then gasped for our leading lady yet?"

You want to rosat us, repeated the manner to much. There are no royaltes. If the manager, as he reflected in alarm that he show strikes a bad streak of luck it suddenly ceases to exist and the actors go back to the grocery wagon and the farm."

A. C.

"Never did," I said.
"She's pretty," continued the man who
was afraid of being roasted, "young, too.
She's a good actress all right, all right."

"She's certainly beginning at the bottom and working up," I suggested.
"Sure." assented the manager, and then a vague suspicion that some reflection had been made on the company dawned upon him. "What's that?" he snapped. "I can't say a thing," he replied to another inquiry as to whence the actors came. And so I hunted up a theatrical

friend and made further inquiry.
"What kind of a show is this Fischer show?" I asked, "I see the leading man

pounding the bass drum in the street parade. Does he also play in the or-chestra between the acts?"
"Companies that play the little villages which the regular shows never visit," said the theatrical friend," pick up all their actors in country towns. They get young men who can play some musical instru-ment, and take a chance on them being able to act. The main thing is the band. The music draws the people in. Sometimes the actors drive them out. The salaries are low, but not so bad for the people that get them. Remember a farmhand only gets \$40 a month."

"What do they do for theater buildings in these hamlets?" I asked "Nearly every settlement has some kind of a hall. When they haven't, the show plays in a tent, in a barn, in a field in-

closed by a high board fence, even on the

open prairie. One of those companies is never stuck for a place to show." "And scenery?" I said. "They carry it with them. They ever have a canvas proscenium arch which they can string across a barn and make

"And plays?" I said. "They buy pirated plays from a house in Chicago which revamps copyrighted productions and sells them under other

"The profits are not amazing, but the expenses are light. Salaries don't amount to much. There are no royalties. If the

### CHANGE VIEWS ON WOMAN WITH PAST Members of Chicago Woman's Club Shunned Her Last Week; Now They Would Forgive Her

Chicago Phier-Green must be an iconoclast, them."

In a familie, a worker, a meddler.

Miss Addams' impromptu jalk stirred a radical, a fanatic, a worker, a meddler, othing of a fool and a good deal of an angel, a stuyer, obstinate, reasonable, un-meifish, single-minded, practical, visionary,

This is a definition given by Mrs. Mary R. Plummer at the Chicago Woman's Club yesterday. Mrs. Plummer spoke on "Woman's Place in Reform," and other women of the club discussed the same subject, especially as to "Chicago reform"

persuasive, a student, a thinker, a lover,

and its relation to Chicago women. The purity crusade now going on is enly a city hall spasm," declared Miss Jane Addams, reformer, "The work of this crusade will die unless we women come forward and make this reform general. Who in Chicago is better fitted to make

to study their conditions, and to de it thoroughly, than the women of the clubs? 'Men cannot carry on this work among the unfortunate women of the city with-out the women, and it is only fair that the public-spirited women should come to

the women as all of the essays and talks that preceded her had falled to do, and the women of the club, who last week were ready to draw in their skirts when passing an unfortunate woman "with a Leslie Carter and "Du Barry," were yes-terday pledging themselves to go out among the women of the under world to find them and clasp them to their bosoms.

The Woman's Club had a fierce problem to struggle with, and it did it nobly. agitated the minds of both sexes, philosophers, and society queens: Whether a woman who has sinned is to be forgiven. The general verdict of yesterday was that she should, "Christ set the same standard of morals

for women that he did for men," Mrs. Paull, "and we will never have a the investigations in regard to the women, virtuous world until we adopt a moral to study their conditions, and to do it standard regardless of sex. "As long as sin is not troublesome leave it alone. But when it interferes with our pleasure kill it," continued Mrs.

the ald of the repentant women who need Mrs. Catherine Waugh McCullough, "we women should hold out a helping hand to every woman who is repentant. But for who do not want to repent-well,

is another question. Only the Women Fined.

"This question of making raids in what past," and who were ready to ignore Mrs. the police call the 'red-light' district is criminal in that nearly always the men are allowed to go free and the women brought up in court and fined. If a man is arrested he should be booked under his own name and made an example of. As it is, he pays a little fine and departs, and It was the problem that for centuries has | the woman, who cannot afford to pay her fine, must pay for it by extra sin.
"Social sin should not be licensed, and

both the man and the woman arrested should not be allowed to swell the treasury by fines, but both-where the woman is unrepentant—should be imprisoned."
"This question is forcing itself upon us nationally as well as locally," said Miss American. "We must show the men that we do not intend to stand for such out-

rages. The conservative women must go into the movement and stand up for those women who are unfortunate, for if auli.
"On the question of forgiveness," said cumstances, we might be in their places.

> Temporary areas of alternately high and low barometer, with attendant anti-cyclonic and cyclonic wind circulations, will be found moving in a genera E'ly direction across the ocean in temperate latitudes. In advance of the former the weather is dry, the barometer rises, the thermometer falls, the (cirrus, cirro-cumulus, umulus) tends to dissolve, and the general direction of the winds is polar or W'ly; in advance of the latter the

barometer.

W'ly; in advance of the satter falls, weather is damp, the barometer falls, the clouds (cirrothe thermometer rises, the clouds (cirrothe controlled and the satter of the gather, and the general direction of the winds is equatorial or eastward passage of an anti-cyclone is marked by slowly shifting winds and fair weather; of a cyclone, by rapidly shifting winds, gales, rain and foul weather. Typhoons are not frequent during De

cember and are rare during January. Their occurrence is confined to the region between Guam and Luzon and to the outhern part of the China Sea. One of the earliest signs of the approach of typhoon is the apparent fallure of the barometer to respond to the diurnal oscillation.

Vukon Steamboatmen Returning. The Portland steamboatmen who go

North every Spring to run Yukon Riv packets have nearly all returned for the Winter. Captain James T. Gray and George Raabe returned several days ago and yesterday Captain George Shaver and James Lee arrived. Captain Frank Turner came out from Dawson with them, but stopped at Vancouver where he will re-main for the Winter. Just before leaving Dawson Captain Shaver met Captain Will Warren, of Astoria, who had just come in from Tanana. Captain Warren was very favorably impressed with Tanana and expects to work some of his claims there next Summer. He will work his claim near Dawson this Winter.

Tug and Schooner Sink.

VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 17.—The tug Mystery, owned by Captain McKenzie, of Vancouver, struck on Stag Rocks early this morning and foundered, when her crew were attempting to beach her. She lies in 15 feet of water and will be saved. Her engineers kept steam on her in the effort to beach her until the fires were put

out by water.
The sealing schooner C. D. Rand, which stranded at Kyuquot, has foundered in 15 fathoms of water while her crew was endeavoring to get her to a beach.

Head of the Gray Line.

George D. Gray, head of the California & Oregon Coast Steamship Company, was in the city yesterday on his way to Seattle. He states that if business on the Coos Bay line continues to improve, the little steamer Navarro will be taken off and a larger boat substituted. Mr. Gray will come around from the Sound on the steamer Nome City, which will make several trips from Portland to San Francisco with grain.

Steamer Elizabeth Launched. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 11.-The steam er Elizabeth, which is to go on the run between this port and the Coquille River, was successfully launched today from Stone's shipyard.

Marine Notes.

The Amiral Halgan has shifted from Oceanic dock to Mersey.

The Almedia, lumber laden for Sydney, left down yesterday in tow of the Harvest

The Dunsmuirs, of Victoria, have chartered the tug Samson for four months to do towing for them in the North. The steamer George W. Elder, with her new foremast stepped, was yesterday inspected by local United States Inspect-ors Edwards and Fuller. J. B. C. Lockwood, engineer of the

Port of Portland Commission, has re-turned from several months' stay in Texas where he had a big dredging conterests for quite a long period,"
"Is it true," he was asked, "that there are any existing difficulties between the

The change of the wind from south to east loosened a great amount of drift-wood yesterday morning, which made navigation along the city front difficult for sternwheelers. German lines and the International Mer-cantile Marine Company?"
"It is not," was the reply. "To prove this I will say that negotiations are go ing on now between the White Star Line

Captain Nichols, of the Duns Law, was and the Hamburg-American Line which will, if completed, bring these two con-cerns into very close touch, so far as their traffic between New York and the up from Astoria yesterday to buy some additional gear for his ship. He says it will be necessary to take out and restow 2000 tons of his cargo. Captain Veysey, Mediterranean is interested." Herr Ballin declared that subsidies by Lloyds' surveyor, accompanied him back the various governments have so far shown a lack of good results. "So far," he declared, "no government has succeeded really in helping its shipto Astoria.

In 1902 new vessels were built in Canada as follows, in the several provinces: New Brunswick, 23, tonnage, 1965; Nova Scotia 140, tonnage, 14,827; Quebec, 26, tonnage 1990; Ontario, 60, tonnage, 8791; Prince Ed ward Island, 8, tonnage, 530; British Columbia, 36, tonnage, 2550; Manitoba, 10, tonnage, 137; Yukon district, 3, tonnage, 236, Total vessels, 316; tonnage, 30,216. DECEMBER WIND AND WEATHER

Domestic and Foreign Ports. ASTORIA, Nov. 17 .- Salled at 8 A. M .chooner Alvena, for San Pedro. Arrived pilot chart of the North Pacific down at 8:30 and sailed at 11:45 A. M.-Schooner R. W. Bartlett, for San Pedro; at rived at 9 A. M. and left up at 1:30 P. M. Steamer Navarro, from Coos Bay; arrived at 9 A. M.—Schooner E. B. Jackson, from San Francisco Bay and the Strait of Honolulu; arrived at noon and left up a Fuca the course of the winds will be 3:15 P. M.-Steamer Aberdeen, from Sa from SE., with falling barometer, through South to SW. and West, with Francisco. Salled at 9 A. M.—French bark Charles Gounod, for Queenstown or Fal-mouth; salled at 9 A. M.—French bark rising barometer. Immediately under the coast the prevailing winds will be SE. Within the area 125 deg.-130 deg. Joliette, for Australia; sailed at 11 A. M .--British ship Ardencraig, for Algon Bay. W., 40 deg.-50 deg. N., the most fre-quent direction will be South, over 50 per cent of all winds being included be-Arrived down at 1 P. M .- Steamer Despatch Condition of the bar at 5 P. M., smooth; wind east; weather cloudy. Manila, Nov. 16.—Arrived—Schooner Prostween SE. and SW. Beyond 130 deg. W., as also to the southward of 40 deg., the winds will have a greater westing.

per, from Portland. San Francisco, Nov. 17.—Sailed—Schooner Glendale, for Columbia River; steamer City of Puenia, for Victoria; schooner Sehome, for Everett; schooner Challenger, for Bal-lard, Schooner Ethel Van, for Everett; schooner Mindora, for Port Gamble; schoon

Steamer Mackinaw, from Tacoma. Auckland, Nov. 17 .- Arrived previously-Sydney, N. S. W.

winds will prevail; likewise from 10 deg. to 5 deg. as far West as the 105th meridian, beyond which the prevailing New York, Nov. 17.-Arrived-Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from Bremen. Salled-Syria, for Genba and Naples; Sardina, fo Naples and Genoa; Kaiser Wilhelm II., for Bremen; Armenian, for Liverpool. Antwerp, Nov. 17.—Arrived—Finland, from The present month inaugurates a dry season (December-March) on the coast of Central America, the main feature of New York. Liverpool, Nov. 17.—Sailed—Sylvanian, for

Moville, Nov. 17 .- Arrived-Ethiopia, from New York, for Glasgow, and proceeded. Yokohama, Nov. 17.—Arrived—Empress

tian Islands. Around this trough the prevailing winds blow in a direction contrary to the motion of the hands of a watch. The two circulations, cyclonic (around the low) and anti-cyclonic Japan, from Vancouver, for Hiogo, Nagasak hanghal and Hong Kong. Scilly, Nov. 18.—Passed—Deutschland, from (around the high), thus unite in giving to the winds over the northern half of New York, for Plymouth, Cherbourg an

Hamburg.
Tacoma, Nov. 17.—Arrived—Steamer James Dollar, from San Francisco; British steam ship Kinross, from Port Townsend. Sailed— British steamship Aigoa, for Yokohama. Hogulam, Wash., Nov. 17 .- (Special.) -- Saile -Schooners W. J. Patterson, James H. Bruce James Rolph, Fred E. Sander, Alpha, Cecilia Sudden, wil from Aberdeen, for San Francisco schooners George B. Perkins, William Rent and Lizzie Vance, all from Hoquiam, for Sa

Five of One Family Die in Week. NEW YORK, Nov. 17 .- Remarkable faality has attended the family of Peter Hickey, of Brooklyn, during the past week, five members having died from typhold fever in that time. A priest who attended the family also contracted the disease and died,

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## FORGER BAFFLES POLICE the rush of holiday business last year, and had hoped that a new and larger building would have been erected by the SON OF WEALTHY MONTANA

While Detectives Are Searching for Him He Cashes Worthless Paper

at Other Places.

MAN DEFRAUDS LOCAL FIRMS.

T. W. Parker, son of Colonel Parker, m wealthy stockman of Deer Lodge, Mont., is wanted here on the charge of forgery. Within the past three days he has passed worthies paper to the extent of \$100, and etill baffles the detectives in their efforts to capture him. Even while the officers are on his track he manages to rid himself of more of the forged checks. The name "Wadhams & Kerr Bros." is

signed to all of the checks, and the forgery is so perfect that had he drawn the cks on a bank with which the firm did its business they would have surely passed as genuine. Parker is acquainted with different people here who know his peopusiness men that his checks are all right Since his trickery has come to light his friends are all lending the police every ossible assistance in locating him. victims up to date include: Portland Ho-tel, \$6; William Cody, saloon-keeper, 101 Slath street, \$55; Gerd & Dahe, 221 Grand

Parker came to Portland last Saturday night and stopped at the Portland Hotel. He was well dressed, and had every apearance of being a man of note. One of the first men he met was Tom McFadden, head beilman at the hotel. McFadden had known him in Butte, and knew that his people were well-to-do.

"I have a little check to cash," he ex-

ed to McFadden, after they had ex-

changed greetings. "Will you introduce me to the cierk?" McFadden readily asted, and assured the clerk that there could be no danger in cashing a check for uch a man as Parker. This was Saturedge that the check could not be offered payment before Monday. unday morning after he had had his breakfast he started for a walk about the

and at Cody's saloon met an old d. Friends were his stock in trade, and he would not miss the chance Again Parker heard words of praise both for himself and for his family, and pre-sented a "small" check to be paid. This

ne was for \$65, and he liberally purchased a drink with a part of his proceeds. Monday morning the two checks were presented for payment. The forgery was acknowledged to be an excellent imitation, but the forger had been misinformed as to the bank with which the firm did business. His checks were drawn on the First National Bank, and Wadhams &

Bros. had no deposit there.

The case was immediately reported to the police, and they commenced to search for a man of his description. They sup-posed that he would leave the city at ice, but with rare nerve and daring he remained in Portland and continued to sell his worthless paper. Monday night while the officers were trying in every way to locate him he slipped from cover on the East Side and ventured into Gerd & Dahe's, where he cashed a check for \$30. The police believe that he is still in the city and in hiding. Word has been sent

More Room for Wells Fargo & Co. The growth of the city and consequent increase of burness of all kinds has obliged Agent Sfelby, of the Wells-Fargo Express Company, to lease additional room. The employes of the company

company on the quarter-block at Fourth and Yamhill streets this season, but this has not materialized. As the holiday season is approaching, Agent Shelby has leased a room at 186 Fourth street, two doors south of the main office, for a delivery department. He is confident that The room had been occupied by Mrs. Hart's dyeing establishment. When Wells, Fargo & Co, were moving in, some scallawag took down and carried away two large signs belonging to her. The company's employes thought she had employed the man who did this, and she thought he was doing it for the company, and so he got away with the signs, which cost several dollars each. Thinking that they might have been taken by mistake, Agent Shelby advertised for them, but nothing has ever been heard of them. It is concluded that the man who robbed a hardworking woman of them was a genuine sneakthief, probably a painter. painted another sign on them. If this does him any injustice, he can prove it by bringing the signs back.

REAL ESTATE RISING. Dealers Predict Prevailing Prices Will Soon Tempt Speculation.

property has had a ready sale, and unimproved has only been bought to build upon. The demand has been steadily growing, and favored localities have felt the effects in increased prices, but the widespread area on the outskirts has sold as cheaply as ever, and an unimproved lot can be bought on the East Side, with-in 20 minutes' walk of Third and Morrison streets, for as low as \$300 to \$500 This condition cannot last. If a speculative spirit does not spring up by itself, the rapidly increasing numbers of people who throng into Portland by every route, day after day, will put such a demand or houses and flats alone that the rents ac-cruing from these will be so much greater than the natural interest on the money invested in the property at its present valuation that values will rise without the instigation of speculators. This effect has followed a reign of low prices in all other American cities, and Portland people are merely slow in demanding more for their property. Of course, if one man did so, he would simply not make a sale, as his neighbor would un-dersell him, but if the community would wake up to the earning capacity of Portland property, and see how much it ex-ceeds the interest on the money invested and the wages of management, they would demand more for it. Conspicuous cases of this kind are old buildings that have long since paid for themselves, but continue to draw high rents, aggregating an amount that is several times the legitimate interest. If these buildings torn down and more spacious and landsaving structures replaced them, the profit would be greater. Such buildings spring up daily all over town, but the demand is not filled yet. The Title Guarantee & Trust Company handles a good deal of property for rent, and George H. Hill, the manager of their real estate in terests, says that people daily come to him, asking for a house to live in, and, although he rents hundreds, he cannot furnish them. "I know of dozens of cases," he said, "where people have lived weeks in Portland cooped up in an apart-ment-house because they could not get residences. This state of affairs has a meaning. It means a natural rise in the

to his family in Deer Lodge of the affair. It is thought by his friends here that his value of real estate, and if it delays much father will send money to pay the value nger, the time will be overripe, and an of the checks if prosecution can be extravagant boom will result. Everybody stopped. But in the meanwhile prosperous conditions, good wages, a flourishing country surrounding the city, are incompatible

Hill's Rheumatic Pills have cured rheuma-tism for 100 years. Only 25c. All druggists. Sched in two years, and it and the steam-

with the general range of real estate values in Portland.

the company will erect a new building Appearance of the Vessel Attracts Attention--Line From Mexico

> Everything is ready to start the cargo on the steamship Ascot at Irving dock this morning. She will load 5000 tons of wheat there and will later shift to the other docks and take aboard 1000 tons of flour. The cargo will be provided by the Northwestern Warehouse Company and is destined for ports in Japan. A cargo of about the same dimensions for the same ports will be loaded next month on the steamship Stanley Dollar and two more wheat cargoes for the Orient will go out in January, negotiations now being under way for the charter of the vessels. The Ascot attracts much attention from river-front people by her peculiar ap-pearance. Unlike most of the big tramps oming here, the steamer has a flush deck nothing to break it but the pilothouse and bridge. The absence of a rail or bulwarks of any kind give her a trange appearance as viewed from the dock. The steamer is new, having been launched only last year at Glasgow at the yards of Napier & Miller. She is owned by Watts, Watts & Co., of London, and is commanded by Captain Cox. The steamer has a net tonnage of 4300 and is of the following dimensions: Length, 385 feet; beam, 50 feet; depth of hold, 26

PORT TONNAGE OF THE WORLD Relative Rank of the Principal Ship-

ping Centers. merce and Labor, shows the relative rank in tonnage movement of the principal ports of the world. Figures of coastwise trade are not included:

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NEW LINE TO ORIENT.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—In discussing the results of his visit to this city. Herr Albert Bailin, director-general of the Hamburg-American line, has confirmed the reports of an arrangement for ocean service in connection with the new Kan-

sas City, Mexico & Orient Railway.

"A contract has been completed between our company and the Kannas City, Mexico & Orient Railway." he said, "by which he will establish a passenger and freight line to the Far East and a line honor of the president of the company. We expect that the railroad will be fin-

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WHEAT AND FLOUR TO JAPAN.

to the Orient Assured.

feet. Previous to coming to Portland the Ascot carried a cargo of raw sugar from Java to the Vancouver, B. C., refinery.

The following table, prepared in the Bureau of Statistics, Department of Com-

Year. Entered. Cleared.

\*Exclusive of Chinese junks engaged in foreign trade. The tonnage of these vessels entered and cleared was 1,126,831 and 1,139,279, respectively, in 1901.

\*Exclusive of warships, transports, native craft and vessels under 59 tons, but inclusive of vessels engaged in trade between the Straits Settlements.

Ballin Confirms Reports of Hamburg-American Service.

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