DR. DREW PULLS OUT

Colored Chaplain Retires From Grand Army.

OBJECTS TO ITS METHODS

Conflicts With His Religion, He Says--Resignation Creates Indignation Among Veterans.

Rev. D. Drew, chaplain of the department of Oregon, G. A. R., and member of Ben Butler Post, No. 57, Sunnyside, exploded a bombshell in that post at the meeting Saturday night by resigning from the Grand Army of the Republic, and giving his reasons to the effect that he did not approve of the methods of the organigation. Inasmuch as Rev. Drew, who is a colored man and ex-slave, had been honored probably more than any colored man in this department, the resignation was received with amazement and indig-nation. Rev. Drew had been renominated chaplain of the post at a former meet-ing and, with other officers, would have been re-elected at this meeting.

At the last meeting of the Grand En-

campment in this state Rev. Drew was elected department chaplain. before the G. A. R. posts, he paid high tribute to the patriotism of the Grand Army of the Republic and he declared that but for the members of the organizaattained his freedom from slavery. the text of his resignation from the G. A. R is not known, it is understood that he said that it conflicts with his religion, on that it tends to keep alive the conflict between the North and the Bouth. Some very caustic remarks were made by several members of Ben Butler Post when the full meaning of the resig-nation and the reasons set forth therein were understood. A member remarked yesterday that it was probably the only instance on record where a colored man had been so highly honored as Rev. Mr. Drew, and that the very things he disap-proved of in his resignation he had comnded in his addresses before the posts wherever he had spoken. It is sup-sed that Rev. Drew has also forwarded his resignation to Department Commander Turner, of Newburg. The post elected the following officers:

nmander, H. Rigby; senior vicecommander, George H. Luke; junior vice-Vorhies; quarterm Commander, W. Vormes; quartermaster, H. F. Yates; officer of the day, J. H. Huestls; officer of the guard, T. C. Wil-son; chaplain, J. Moshier; delegate, J. Moshier; alternate, H. F. Yates. The officers will be installed the first Saturday in January.

Sumner Post, No. 12, G. A. R., elected the following officers: Past commander, J. A. Newell; post commander, J. W. Oglibee; senior vice-commander, M. Buch-anan; junior vice-commander, J. E. Gillis; surgeon, H. H. Pierce; chapiain, G. A. Prentice; quartermaster, A. D. Sharno; A. E. Edmunds, officer of the day; H. F. Thompson, officer of the guard; delegates to Grand encampment, E. M. Sargent, J. E. Gillis, H. H. Pierce, R. Mills, W. C. Henderson; alternates, C. F. Hubbard, Adam Falk, G. A. Prentice, G. F. Merrill.

MILWAUKIE ELECTION TODAY

Hot Contest Expected in the Old Town at the Polls.

Milwaukle is in the throes of a lively municipal contest, and not even was Sun-day observed by the candidates on the two tickets in the field. Congregations and Sunday schools were depleted yesterday, so absorbing is the interest on the outcome of the election to-day, although none of the offices carries a salary. The linee offices carries a salary. The lineof the two tickets is as follows: "Citizens' "-Mayor, William Shindler;

recorder, Professor L. A. Read; Treas-urer, Charles McCann; Marshal, John Kelso; councilmen, O. J. Roberts, G. Keller, C. Kerr, Mr. Matthews.
"Independents"—Mayor, Isaac Mullan

pecorder, Jesse Keck; treasurer, Charles McCann; Councilmen, O. J. Roberts; H. M. Mullan, F. Bergameir and J. Flick. Both tickets were nominated in public meetings. The "Independent" ticket rep-resents the opposition of the present city covernment on general principles. It also ose who were opposed to in-Mr. Mullan, candidate for Mayor, said he had opposed incorpora-tion, but now that it had carried he ac-cepted the results and wanted Milwaukle "We want water and two or three electric lights," he said, "near the electric railway where people get on and off the cars. If elected I am sure that we can do no worse than the present ed-ministration." Mr. Shindler, who heads the "Citizens" ticket, is the man who fought for and carried incorporation, and on his record of Mayor for the past six months he is willing to stand or fall. Jesse Keck, who was Marshal during the past six months, is candidate for Recorder against Professor L. A. Read, on the "Independent" ticket. He confidently expected to be on the "Citizens" " ticket for Recorder, but he was turned down at the convention, and has been on the war-path with a battle-ax ever since. Mr. Keck was formerly on the Oregon Water Power & Rallway Company's Oregon City conductor, and is expected to carry the car men.

May Repair Eighth-Street Bridge. Councilman Dan. Sherritt is working to ure the repairs to East Eighth-stree bridge across Stephens slough. This bridge has been closed up for some time, and to repair it will cost about \$1400. Mr. Sherret ran against a snag in his first efforts when he found that the cost of building this bridge had been thrown on to the city, and for this reason the city refused to make the repairs, as it had down on Grand-avenue bridge. He thinks he sees his way clear now to get the re-pairs made. A number of the interested roperty-owners have agreed to con toward paying for the work. then ask the Executive Board to provide

Will Fit Up Clubroom.

The young men of the Second Baptist Church, East Seventh and Ankeny streets are fitting up a club-room in the church building for young men. It will be called a Christian club-room, and will be kept open every hight in the week for men of the club and for the community. Officers of the club are as follows: President, U K. Hall; vice-president, R. R. Adams; secretary and treasurer, J. Wallace Buirgy; assistant, Donald Lewis; chairman of Hustlers, R. R. Adams; instruc-tor, Miss Eva Joseph; assistant, Rev. S. C. The club will give its first entertainment in the church auditorium Wednesday evening. It is hoped to furnish the club-room with good books and reading matter and make it an attractive place for young men.

Street Will Be Planked.

Mississippi avenue will no doubt be planked, as the remonstrance of J. B. Ziegler does not bear the signatures of enough of the property-owners to over-come the petition. M. E. Thompson, in answer to Mr. Zeigler's last public statement, says that he has no wish to be drawn into a dispute over the merits of plank and gravel, but the majority of the property-owners desire the plank for

the reason there will be double tracks on the street, and the experience has been that gravel soon wears down, leaving the tracks above the surface of the street. Mr. Thompson says that plank will last four or five years, and by that time the people will be ready for brick or some enduring pavement.

Pave Goldsmith Street With Brick If the plans for paving Goldsmith street, between Albina avenue and Russell street, with virified brick are carried, it will make the best improvement ever made on the East Side. Albina avenue was paved with wood blocks from Page street to the ferry landing, and it can street to the ferry landing, and it can be seen what a fine improvement it is. Goldsmith street connects with all the streets in lower Albina. The plans pro-pose the paving of the roadway the full width with vitrified brick with a sand cushlon on concrete foundation six inches thick. It is also provided that the space occupied by the City & Suburban tracks shall be paved the same way and the shall be paved the same way and the present rails shall be replaced with grooved rails not less than seven inches in depth.

Enlarge the Church.

Repairs to the Sunnyside Congregations Church have just been completed at a cost of nearly \$200, including the repainting of the outside. The members are now discussing the matters of enlarging the church. Rev. J. J. Staub, the pastor, says that the Sunday-school room is con stantly overcrowded. It is proposed to get more ground and put up an annex. The proposition will probably be dissed at the annual meeting, which will be held the first week in January.

JOY KILLED HIM.

E. P. Fitzgerald, an Old Pioneer, Dies of Heart Disease.

Excessive joy, in a measure, was the cause of the death of E. P. Fitzgerald, one of Oregon's oldest pioneers. Mr. Fitzgerald died at the home of Mrs. Kelly, 34 College street, Friday afternoon, and the body was shipped to The Dalles, where interment will take piace this afternoon. The cause of Mr. Fitzgerald's joy was due to a family reunion, consist-ing of himself, his daughter and his son, who came to Portland on his honeymoon purposely to visit his father and to spend Thanksgiving day with his father and sister. It was the first Thanksgiving that the family had spent together in 18 years, and Mr. Fitzgerald, who was 78 years old, was so pleased with the meeting again of what remained of his family that he overtaxed himself.

The family took Thanksgiving dinner downtown, and when his son, C. C. Fitz-gerald, who is in the railroad business in Lexington, Ky., started to return to his home, Mr. Fitzgerald accompanied his son and daughter-in-law as far as The Dalles, their former home. He returned on Monday last and compinined of a slight attack of indigestion, which he attributed to something he had eaten on the boat. He had made his home with Mrs. Kelly for the past four years. Mr. Fitzgerald sought relief through the use of simple home remedies, but he steadily grew worse. On Friday he rose about noon and asked for a cup of very hot water. While the girl was preparing the water, he sat down in a chair. Suddenly he fell backward, and was dead before Dr. George H. Strowbridge, who had been summoned, could arrive. Dr. Strowbridge,

after an examination, said that death was

lue to exhaustion and old age. E. P. Fitzgerald was born in County Kerry, Ireland, in 1827. He came of a family of 13 children, and at the age of 17 he was secretary to a British civil engineer. In 1863 he was married to Alice Culien McDonough in Dublin, and of that union seven children were born. Only two survive him, his son and Sister Rosa lind, of the Order of the Sacred Heart, stationed at St. Paul, Or. He came to America in 1850. In 1856 he went to Vancouver, B. C., as a clerk in the commis-sary department, and in 1857 he moved to The Dalles, where he became engaged in the hardware and grocery business, with branch stores at Boise and Walia Walia In the disastrous fire which almost destroyed the town, he lost a son, who was killed during the fire while trying to save some of his father's property. caused a great financial loss to Mr. Fitz-gerald. He lived at The Dalles until 1890. when he moved to Portland, where he Rosalind, with the Mother Superior, of St. Paul, and Joseph Kelly, ac-

companied the remains to The Dalles FINDS ANCIENT RELICS.

Dr. C. H. Raffety Makes Valuable Archeological Researches.

Dr. C. H. Raffety, a pioneer physician

and well-known citizen of Portland, in his recent researches has made a discovery of interest to archeologists of the country, and he desires to attract their attention to his find. Dr. Raffety said: "Eighteen miles south of the mouth of the Columbia River, in Clatsop County, Oregon, exist some shell-beds, which are vidently of more than ordinary interest on account of the implements found in them shaped by human hands. The evi-dence is plain that these deposits were carried there at the same time that the carried there at the same time that the boulder moraine of the Necanicum River was formed. The proof that such is the case is their stratification and intermix-ture with the gravel detritus, which was left by the glacier that formed this deposit, and, therefore, must have been transported and dropped from shell-beds further up the river. The casual observer would, in all probability, pronounce them of more recent origin were it not for the conditions under which they are found, but after repeated examinations there is but one conclusion, and that is, that they are preglacial and of great antiquity. The first or lower strata has been crushed and ground into fragments so that it is difficult to find any shell that is perfect. "Superimposed on this is a boulder deposit, and above this is another shell-bed. which are nearly all in their natural condition; and above these there is a de-posit of gravel and vegetable mold. In this upper, or top strata, the remains of large trees have grown to maturity, passed into decay, and the only thing left to identify them are thir monster roots. If these deposits were transported from where they were left by some prehistoric race, and I believe they were, their antiquity will date back to a period anterior to the last glacial epoch, which was not less than 10,000 years ago. The implements that have been found and taken from these shell-beds have been examined by myself and others and were found beyond question to be the work of some race of people closely allied to those of the stone age.

"Stone mortars, pestles, arrow points and spear heads that have been taken from these moralne deposits are in the possession of some of the oldest inhabitants of this locality at the present time, Animal remains are quite common. The bones of the old deer and bear I have Animal remains are quite common. The bones of the elk, deer and bear I have found, and I have in my possession a fe-mur (thigh bone) that is so closely al-lled to that of the human that I am almost convinced that it is a human femur. Whether I am correct or not as to the great antiquity of these deposits I cannot say, but I may have the pleasure of calling attention of archeologists to this prollfic field for future research."

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THEIR CONSCIENCE CLEAR

MANDAMUS PROCEEDING HAS NOT SCARED CITY OFFICIALS.

If Gambling Is Closed Grafting Will Begin at Once, Says Whitney L. Bolse.

Free of any consciousness of crime, the city officials named as the defendants in the mandamus proceedings filed against them by the Municipal Association, Saturday afternoon, in the Circuit Court, are going their way undisturbed. They are waiting to see what will happen, that is

All are chary of expressing definite opinions until they have read the complaint. No copies have yet been served upon any of the defendants. Mayor Wil-liams says that us he is placed at the head of the list of transgressors, it may be that he sione will be the recipient of

Members of the Executive Board, who sre included in the list of defendants, say that now that the city has once more a few dollars in its official pocket the dire necessity for receiving gamblers' fines as a license has passed, in a measure. Municipal Judge Hogue says that he will hale the gamblers into his court on bench warrants if ordered to do so by a superior court, meaning the Cir-cuit Court, in which the mandamus pro-ceedings have been filed.

The officials apparently realize that the Municipal Association means business, and they are now waiting to learn what kind of business that will be. There had been so many warnings of the mandamus proceedings that no one was surprised when they were finally filed Saturday. Mayor Williams didn't care to discuss the mandamus proceedings, either officially as one of the defendants, or as a law-

"Even when I have read the document I do not know that I will make a state-ment," said he. "I do not care to get into a newspaper controversy. It is usual to serve a copy of the proceedings upon one of the defendants. I was not in my office yesterday afternoon, and this might have been done then. As I have been placed at the head of the list of transpressors, I supposed the copy of the com-plaint would be served upon me. It is not necessary, I believe, to serve copies upon all the defendants; the others can be subpoensed." Then the Mayor dic-

tated the following:
"Having received no copy of the com plaint, I am not able to say anything as to its legal character, or as to whether or not it will stand in court. But if our Scotch Presbyterlan brethren have wagered the \$1000 fee which they have paid Judge Pipes upon its result I am afraid that they may lose. I think it would have been a better investment if they had given the \$1000 to the Baby Home, or the Children's Home, or some charitable

the gamblers?" was the question asked of Municipal Judge Hogue, yesterday.
"I will, if ordered to do so by a higher court." was the reply. "The administra-tion's policy, as far as the gamblers are concerned, is not my business; not a bit of it, not a, bit," and the Judge laughed

right merrily. The money from the gamblers came in the nick of time," said Whitney L. Boise, one of the most influential members of the Executive Board, yesterday evening. "Now that the city has received a lot of equipment from that source, I do not think that there would be much of a fight if gambling was closed down. The matter has never been discussed by the

matter has never been discussed by the members of the Executive Board, either as a body or individually.
"I feel sure of one thing, though," continued Mr. Boise. "If gambling is closed down it will take just about six weeks for the old grafting system to be in operation again. The way it is now is far better than under that system."

GRATEFUL FOR DONATIONS.

Many Boys and Girls In Charge of Ald Society Return Thanks.

The management of the Boys' and Girls Aid Society wishes to extend sincere thanks to all their friends who have so generously remembered them this Thanks giving; to the merchants of the city who eve contributed supplies and turkeys for Thanksgiving; to the public schools of the city and State for the generous dona-tions by the pupils to their less fortunate fellows, and also to generous friends who have subscribed cash donations for their

The Receiving Home is quite crowded at present, there being 48 children on hand, 28 of whom are boys and 20 girls. There were 17 children admitted to the Receiving Home during the past week, thus breaking the record of any previous week for admissions since the institution of the society. Among the children under the society's care is an infant boy aged about two months, of good parentage, for whom the management is desirous of se-

curing a home for adoption.
Superintendent Gardner says that one of the most interesting cases admitted last week was a colored boy, aged 15, who claims to be the son of a colored Methodist minister who died in Kansas in 1835. His mother died a year before that time, and since then the boy has been roving the country and become a regular juvenile tramp. Experience teaches the superintendent that with such boys as a rule there is very little reformation, as invariably take to the road again first opportunity. But this colored boy seems to be somewhat an exception to the general rule, for Mr. Gardner thought that before placing him out he would give him a trial and see if he meant to elope the first chance he got. A lady in the neighborhood wishing some wood cut, the boy was sent to do the work, with instructions to bring back any remuneration she might see fit to make. To the surprise of all, the boy did the work promptly and brought the money to the office. This was repeated and Mr. Gardner now thinks that he can conscientiously place the boy out where he will receive his schooling and board in esturn for services rendered, and by careful treatment his propensity for roaming may be overcome.

All applications for children by private families, either for indenture or adoption, should be made by letter to the superinendent or by calling up on Telephor

How Anti-Saloon Fight Is Waged. SALEM, Dec. 5 .- (To the Editor.)-The spital has been invaded by the state officers of the Anti-Saloon League. Dr. G. L. Tufts and Captain L. D. Mahone the past two Sundays addressed a dozen of the leading churches of the city, besides the W. C. T. U. and Y. M. C. A. They also have been holding week-night mass meetings in favor of good morals and law enforcement. As next Monday is the time for the election of Mayor and ten Aldermen out of 14 composing the Coun-cil, much interest was manifested in these meetings. A local league was organized, composed of representatives from all the churches, the Woman's Christian Temper-ance Union, the Prohibition Alliance, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Willamette University faculty. It is a nonpartisan movement. The league will select the best candidates from the two ickets in the field, the Republican and Citizens, and centralize its votes on these men. It will require the candidates who men. It will require the candidates who
wish to receive its support to sign a contract that they will enforce the laws and
remove from office any executive officer
who refuses to perform his sworn duty.
Dr. Tufts and Captain Mahone open a
campaign at Bugene on December 13, with

aist in their coming election. The league at Ashland expects to elect a dry Council which will close all their saloons. By formal vote the Ministerial Association, of Jackson County, declared it would under-take to "shut the saloons out of Jackson County." ANTI-SALOON LEIAGUE.

WILL DELIVER ADDRESSES.

Many Prominent Speakers to Meet With Fruitgrowers' Association.

Acceptances are coming in freely from the various persons to whom invitations were recently aent, asking them to de-liver addresses before the meeting of the Northwest Fruitgrowers' Association, which is to be held in this city January II, 12 and 13. Following is a list of those who so far have accepted invitations and have selected the subjects of their ad-dresses. The list includes some of the most prominent professors and horticul-turists of Washington, Idaho and British Columbia, as well as of Orego L. B. Judson, University of Idaho, "The Management of Orchard Soils;" A. Van Holderbeke, Commissioner of Horticulture

for Washington, "Selection of Vasieties by the Fruitgrower;" A. B. Cordley, Ore-gon Agricultural College, "Apple Scab and its Treatment;" Colonel Henry E. Dosch, Portland, "Too Many Prunes;" C. A. Tounsson, editor Horticulturist, "The Question of Standard Fruit Products;" Dr fames Withycombe, Oregon Agricultural College, "Co-operation Between the Hor-ticulturist and the Experiment Station;" N. O. Booth, Washington Agricultural College, "Comparison of Eastern and Western Fruitgrowing;" J. R. Anderson, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, British Columbia, "Selection of Sultable Varieties for Different Leavisian State of Continuous for Different Localities and Grafting of Fruit;" Mrs. Rose Hoyt, Portland, "Fioriculture;" W. K. Newell, Commissioner of Horticulture, "Pruning the Prune Tree;" W. H. Chapin, Portland, "Commercial Side of the Fruit Business."

Among those who have accepted, but who have not yet named the subjects of their addresses, are Dr. Cardwell, E. L. Smith and Dr. Blalock. It is also ex-pected that Governor' Chamberiain and Mayor Williams will deliver addresses of welcome. There will be musical and literary entertainment provided for the visitors, and everything possible will be done to make the meeting of the association pleasant and profitable to all interested

HAVE SERVED CITY LONG.

Many Old Employes of Water Works Reappointed Without Exemination.

The employes connected with the City ing been reappointed to their positions by Mayor Williams without being required to go through a civil service examination. This was done partly on account of the fact that the Water Works have always en operated on civil service lines since they started, it being understood that the employers were to retain their positions during good behavior, and partly on the certificates of Superintendent Dodge, testifying to their long, faithful and effident services.
Superintendent Dodge was, of course,

exempted from undergoing examination.

The names, positions and terms of service of those reappointed are as follows: Charles E. Oliver, chief inspector, 17 years; Thomas J. Maupin, inspector Bull Run pipe line, 11 years; M. J. Kennedy, inspector, 131/2 years; T. E. Dowling, inspector and tapper of mains, 10 years; N. Bradford Hall, inspector, 18 years; B. B. Turley, inspector, 12 years; Wilbur J. Sharp, chief pump engineer, City Park, 14 years; B. J. Gray, foreman, East Side district, nine years; Costante Albertni, foreman, 17 years; Joe Parisi, subforeman, 13 years; Thomas P. Hansel, assistant foreman, eight years; John R. James, diver, seven years; Joseph Pauley, pump engineer, power-house, City Park, six years; Frank H. Akers, pump engineer, Palatine Station, eight years; William H. Phelps, gatetender, head works on Bull Run, eight years; A. L. Rumsey, gate-Henry L. Lewis, gatetender, reservoir No. 2, eight years; Henry L. Lewis, gatetender, reservoir No. 2, eight years; William H. White, gateender, reservoir No. 1, eight years. The cases of the two receiving clerks and one man who has been promoted to the position of inspector since civil service rules came in force are under con-

NEW MAP OF COUNTY.

Election Two Years Ago.

A map of Multnomah County, showing the voting precincts as remodeled by the County Court, is about completed. There are now 12 more precincts in the country districts and one more in the city than there were when the election was held two years ago, the total number being 83, of which 58 are in the city and 25 in the country. The number of wards in the city has been reduced from eleven to ten, and under the new charter there will be five Councilmen-at-Large elected. There has been very little change in the boundaries of city precincts, but the

a new precinct having been added. The court did not have to make ward prethis was done, as Auditor Devlin said it would undoubtedly be desired to use the same lines and the same clerks.

The change in precincts was made owing to a popular demand for the same. Multnomah County is of peculiar shape, long and narrow, and under the old arwere obliged to go a long way to vote For instance, some persons were obliged to go from Riverside clear up to Bertha if they desired to vote, and as it was some distance and upbill all the way, some distance and upnilt all the way, some of them wouldn't go. The new ar-rangement of precincts will do away with most of this trouble.

One feature of the new map is the out-

line of Guild's Lake, which forms a very good representation of a bear, much bet-ter than the constellation of Ursa Major is, on which account some say the name should be changed to Great Bear Lake. The outline has, however, probably been exaggerated to make it more bear-like

GENERAL NOAH TYNER DEAD.

Formerly Resided in Portland, Where He Had Many Friends.

The death of Colonel Noah N. Tyner of Augusta, Ga., occurred in that city No-vember 20, ultimo. Colonel Tyner, or General as he was called by intimate friends, at one time resided in Portland, where his courtly Southern manner and many attainments won for him many 1883 and was for some time traveling correspondent for The Oregonian. He severed his connection with the paper for the purpose of promoting a railroad be-tween Vancouver and Yakima, but during the financial pante of 1836 the genture failed and he left the Pacific Coast. Colonel Tyner served throughout the Civil War and won for himself great mili-tary honor and distinction. He was a man of great culture and refinement and has left many sincere friends in all parts of the country. He was a brother of General Jams N. Tyner, who was Postmas-ter-General during the Grant administra-tion, and who still lives in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Typer is also well-known in Portland, where she made many friends during her five years' residence. The immediate cause of Colonel Tyner's

death was dropsy of the heart, but he was for years a great sufferer from the many wounds received in battle. GRANULATED EYELIDS. all the churches in the line of battle. They Murine Eye Remedy cures this and other have been invited to Forest Grove to as- Eye troubles, makes weak eyes strong.

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From Sunday's Oregonian

Condensed news of unusual importance regarding special purchasing opportunities in all lines of Holiday merchandise-For full particulars see your Sunday Oregonian or come to the store.

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On sale in new Handkerchief Annex, Second Floor Great Holiday Sale Shoes and Slippers---Main Floor Great Holiday Sale Ladies' Suits, Coats, Etc. Entire Stock Velvet Waistings Greatly Reduced.

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Sale Extraordinary of Cut Glass,

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Great Holiday Sale of Albums, Toilet Sets, Etc., Etc.

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BIG BUILDING TO BE ERECTED AT SEVENTH AND STARK.

Purchasers Pay \$40,000 Cash for the Ground-Property in This Vicinity Increasing in Value.

The largest and most important real estate transaction that has taken place in Portland within the past week was the sale of the northwest corner of Seventh and Stark streets, opposite the Library. The property belonged to the Fechheimer-Whalley estate, and has been occupied for many years by rooming-houses. The purchasers, whose names are not yet made public, have put up the \$40,000 purchase price, and all but one, who is in Germany, where the deed has been sent for signature, consider the purchase as concluded, and have already determined on the improvements to be made. Short-ly the present buildings will be torn down and a modern brick, four stories high, will be reared in its place. The sale, which was negotiated by Grindstaff & Blain, is important, as it means the improvement of a district that has been slighted in the rush of business uptown The administrators of the estate of the late Roswell H. Lamson have decided to nvest the bulk of his estate in substantial property holdings. One purchase of warehouse property has been concluded, half block on Thirteenth and Lovejoy. ticularly some Third-street business prop-

a remarkable amount of inquiry for this time of year, and there are more large deals in the air that will be concluded in time for the Spring building than they remember negotiating for several years.

The end of the year, which brings extra activity in most branches of business, is considered a dull season ordinarily in the real estate business, but prices have been low in Portland in comparison with other cities of the same size that an advance is expected to come in the Spring. Business houses that contemplate mov-ing, and all other persons contemplating hases are figuring early in order to get the advantage of present low prices. The result of this movement will be, acording to real estate brokers, who keep close watch, that the market will remain active all through the holiday season. Several large deals are already in hand, an air of expectation among dealers that augurs an unusual activity at the close of a good year.

any time this year, though the location uch sales has been less confined to the suburbs than during the Summ and Fall. Inside realty has not received any particular boom, but West Side prop-erty in general has been more active than earlier in the senson. This condition is expected to last during the Winter.

Building permits are not issued with the frequency that characterized the earpart of the Fall, and this condition is likely to continue unth the first of the year, though the builders are so busy that they could not handle very much more work than they now have on hand. How-ever, the anomalous condition exists that there are more carpenters in town at the present time than the demand warrants. The occasion of this is that every ranch small town within a wide range of tland, which has experienced the slackness following the end of harvest and the Fall farm work, has poured its surplus mechanics, many of whom do ot deserve the name, into Portland. This has swelled the supply of workmen who have been drawing better pay than their fellows in the country, and by that have The present building operations are

widespread and numerous, though most of the work being done is on buildings that are nearly completed. The chief exceptions to this condition are the three largest structures that have been under-taken this Fall. Of these the Marshall-Wells building, at Fourth and Pine streets, has only one and a half of six stories completed; the new Weinhard across the street has about half

to get under way. Work on these ings will continue all Winter. TRUE TYPE OF PIONEER.

Postoffice alterations is only beginning

Samuel B. Crockett, Descendant of Frontiersmen, Aided Oregon.

PORTLAND, Dec. 6 -(To the Editor.)-It seems to the writer that the demise of Samuel B. Crockett, who died at his home at Kent, Wash., deserves more notice at the hands of his fellow citizens in Oregon than the brief notice of his death contained in The Oregonian of November 28, and it is a labor of love for his old-time comrade to offer a few ad-ditional notes of his character and service as a winner of Oregon as it was 60 years

Mr. Crockett started from Missouri as a member of Gilliam's trains in 1844, a single man in his 25th year. He was born in Virginia, and was unused before starting to all such privations as emigration to Oregon then involved. He was a blood kinsman of Colonel Joseph Crockett, who was one of the few officers left alive at the end of the battle of Point Pleasant, which opened the upper Ohio Valley for peaceful settlement by the Longknives, as the Virginia frontiers-men were called by the Indians. Andrew Lewis, a frontier soldier, commanded in that fight, and from that fact we perhaps have the first name in the first ex-ploration of Old Oregon. Colonel Crockett was appointed by President Jefferson as the first United States Marshal in Kentucky. For patience and courage in straits G. B. Crockett was a credit to his family. I say this having seen him proved many times by both field and flood. Aside from fearlessly looking danger in the face he was a willing worker against all ob-stacles on the way to Oregon. He had selected his claim on Gales Creek within a month after our arrival in this valley. We were a party of three, Crockett Clark and Minto, who with the consent of our leader left our trains at Fort Hall and came on in advance on horseback, and by the ald of a letter from General M. M. McCarver received from Dr. Mc-Loughlin the loan of a batteau, and went to The Dalles to help our friends to Western Oregon, plying our boats till the last

were down, In the Summer of 1845 Crockett joined Simmon Bush and others in examining the Sound Country and concluded to join the settlement, becoming one of the most ef-ficient choppers of the party of 13, who cut the way for their wagons from the Cawlitzer landing through 15 miles of timber to the first open land to the Sound, and he was one of the most active hunters for subsistence. Your brief item says he built the first

mill in the Sound section, and he was probably one of the most efficient work-ers on the mill. It was the first object of Colonel M. L. Simmons to build, hunting for the families when he was not taking necessary food or rest. After doing a yeoman's part as ploneer of the Sound settlements, Mr. Crockett began to Oregon. He therefore deserves a double recognition. As a pioneer north of the Co-lumbia, he was one of the foremost rep-resentatives of the Long Knives, who at Point Pleasant in 1774 cowed the native races in contravention of the proclaimed solicy of King George of England, and 70 years later was one of the foremost of the emigrants of 1843 and 1844, who planted themselves between the King George men of the Puget Sound Agricultural Company and the Pacific, circumventing their to hold the north bank of the Co lumbia and helping to subdue the native race later. Crockett was blood kin, working with a body of men of spiritual kin, to those who won the Mississippi Valley. I should not forget that they vere of the class who would neither own J. MINTO.

Settler Favors Exemption Clause. HOLLEY, Or., Dec. 4 -- (To the Editor.) I wish to say that I think your suggestion to repeal the new tax law is a good one, from one standpoint at least, and that is the taxing everything in sight, regardless of the hardships of set-tiers on the public domain. The old law had a \$300 exemption clause, in favor of settler, and it has been a great

their way out of "the forest primeval" in the foothills of the Willamette Valley, and let me say that the process of making farms is not through with yet in the eastern section of the state. I will venture to say that the reported settlers in that region would not complain if they were exempt from taxation on personal property to the extent of \$300 in their beginnings of home-building, which the old law gave them.

The writer has been through the grind

in making a farm where timber had to be cleared from the land, for the last dozen years, and to a certain extent is not "out of the wilderness" yet, and can speak advisedly of the help from that ex-emption clause in the old law. This section of the state is new yet, and will be for many years to come, and the man that tackles the proposition of making a home where now is brush and timber, needs is making a home he is also adding to the material wealth of the state, which will, in time, be listed in the state's as-sets, when he will be better able to help bear the state's burden of taxation. It has always been the policy of the Republican party to foster "infant enter-prises." Let that party now repeal the new law, and give us the old one back again, and they will still be true to their J. R. SPRINGER.

AFFECTED BY EASTERN CRISIS Japanese Bonds Advance in London Market on Favorable News.

LONDON, Dec. 6.-With a stronger beef that the Bank of England will not find a necessity for raising its rate in the near future, the stock exchange last week was swayed chiefly by the aspect of the Russo-Japanese crisis.

After the week had opened, the report received by the Associated Press from Puris that a practical basis of agreement had been arrived at by Russia and Japan caused a revival of hopes for a peaceful settlement, which was strongly reflected settlement, which was strongly reflected in the advance in the price of Japanese bonds. Russians, however, did not show wide fluctuations The sale of the warships Constitution

and Libertad to Great Britain by Chile improved the price of Chilean bonds, owing to the belief that the amount reeived for the vessels may avert the nepessity of Chile raising a loan, The market for American securities

again shared considerably in the general revival of business, the recovery being materially assisted by the spurt in Steel Good Chinese Cotton Crop.

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