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AMUSEMENTS.
 MARQUAM GRAND THEATRE (Morrison Street, between 5th and 7th)—Tonight at 8:15, "The Great Escape."
 THE BAKER THEATRE, Third and Yamhill Streets—Tonight, 8:15, "The Baker Theatre Company in 'The Great Escape.'"
 CORDRAT'S THEATRE, Washington Street—Tonight, 8:15, "The Olympia Opera Company in 'The Great Escape.'"
 ARCADE THEATRE, Seventh and Washington—Continuous vaudeville, 2 to 10:30 P. M.

SHOOTING WITH OFFICIAL PERMIT.—Several members of the Multnomah Rod and Gun Club were the objects of the indignation of residents living in the vicinity of City View Park on Saturday morning, but, being clever diplomats, finally succeeded in satisfying the vigilance committee that they were shooting clay birds with the permission of the City Council. For some time past there have been numerous complaints of shooting within the city limits in that part of the city, and it was the suggestion of the complainants that small boys were the offenders. Officer Leachman reported at his beat on an earlier hour than Saturday, and stated that with a number of residents in that section of the city, went forth to capture the violators. The shooters were soon located by their assistants and the violators were Councilman A. K. Bentley and Sheriff W. A. Storey, who explained that they were shooting at clay birds with the permission of the Council. The residents were satisfied and Officer Leachman relieved his superiors at police headquarters with a full report of the shooting which has caused so much trouble.

RELEASED BY MISTAKE AND REARRESTED.—Through some unexplained mistake, George Noe, who was being held at the County Jail on a charge of larceny from a dwelling, was discharged on Saturday night, but fortunately was rearrested in town and was rearrested by Officer Hartman yesterday afternoon, on complaint filed by Deputy District Attorney Arthur C. Spencer. How the mistake was made was not explained, but it will probably be trouble at the Court-house this morning for some one. An order authorizing Jailer Jackson to liberate Noe was issued by Judge John B. Cleland on March 4, but for some reason was not delivered to the jailer until Saturday, March 6, when the man was promptly released. Noe is being held in default of \$200 bonds.

HOPE OF FINDING GRIEVE GIVEN UP.—Charles Grieve, who deserted his wife and new-born babe two weeks ago, is still missing, and no clue to his whereabouts has been found by the police. Even Mrs. Grieve, who trusted her husband after he deserted her, has given up hopes of his returning to her home at 355 Union street, and she will now search for him for the home of her parents near Seattle today.

INDO-AMERICAN WOMAN'S LEAGUE.—The regular monthly meeting of the Indo-American Woman's League, which will be held today at 2 P. M. at the residence of Mrs. H. W. Stone, 155 Eleventh street, corner of Taylor. Matters of importance will come before the meeting. Women who are interested are cordially invited.

GUERLDER COMES BACK FOR TRIAL.—Detective Joe Day arrived from Vancouver, B. C., yesterday afternoon, having in custody A. D. Guerlder, who is charged with obtaining money under false pretenses from Dan Marx, of this city. Guerlder will probably have a hearing before Municipal Judge H. W. Hogue this morning.

THE OLD LADIES' HOME.—The annual tea for the Old Ladies' Home will be given on Easter Monday at the Hobart-Curtis.

Opening sales at Allen & McDowell.

HE IS ONE OF SEVEN.
 Colonel Schenck, Survivor of Lincoln's First Call.

Colonel and Mrs. A. D. Schenck, accompanied by their son and daughter, were at the Portland yesterday on their way to Fort Stevens. Colonel Schenck is a veteran officer of the Army Corps, and assumes command of the Columbia River post after a brilliant career in the Army, dating from April, 1861. He comes to his new command from Fort Sherman, near Chicago, where he was recently promoted to a Lieutenant-Colonel and assigned to his new station.

Colonel Schenck enjoys the distinction of being one of the few officers remaining in active service who responded to President Lincoln's first call for 75,000 volunteers. Although but 17 years of age, he served through the Civil War, and was the Army of the Cumberland and until the summer of 1863, when he was appointed to West Point. Referring to the latter event, Colonel Schenck said the following interesting bit of political history of the Civil War period:

"One day during the campaign which resulted in the election of Abraham Lincoln, Colonel Anson D. McKee, who commanded my regiment, the First Ohio, called me to his room and asked me why I didn't try for a West Point cadetship. I replied that I had never thought of the matter but would be glad of the opportunity to go through the Point. Colonel McKee and some of the other officers fixed up an endorsement on it, and I was accepted. Robert C. Schenck, who represented our district in Congress, and who incidentally was a cousin of my father's. In due time I received word from General Schenck telling me that the district had a representative at the academy and that he was unable to assist me. There the matter ended, so far as I knew, but it seems that shortly afterward General Schenck was in conference with Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Stanton at Washington. During this meeting the General remarked that a large number of youngsters then serving in the ranks were desirous of going to West Point, but were unable to do so for various reasons. He said that it was a shame that these fellows with practical service records should be kept out. The President and Secretary agreed with him, but saw no remedy. He told me a way, and I'd like to have you consider it," said General Schenck. "Appoint as many of these young soldiers as possible and credit them to Congressional districts in the succeeding states. There are enough districts down South to justify the appointment of a whole lot of the youngsters." The matter was discussed at some length, and at the end of the interview the President directed Secretary Stanton to issue the proper authority. I was one of those so appointed, and to this day on the Army register I am accredited to the Seventh Alabama district, although for the life of me I've never been able to locate definitely such a Congressional district on the map or in the history of the war. Most of my class went in the same way, but I fancy the majority of people never heard of the unusual procedure."

Colonel Schenck visited Portland once before, in 1893, when he brought a detachment of recruits to Vancouver Barracks from San Francisco. He was a Second Lieutenant then and was given a position in the service. He will retire in four years, by operation of law, and will leave as a Brigadier-General of regulars. The service he entered as a private volunteer. The interviewer tried to draw him out on the Dr. Leonard Wood incident, but the Colonel intimated that he was too old a bird to be caught with a green baize commander-in-chief. Asked what the chances were of the United States becoming involved in the Russo-Japanese War, the old fighting man sat up a little straighter, it possible, than before.

"We may talk all we please about being a peace-loving people, but no true under the sun is so quick to go to war, in a just cause, understand, as we. When Sumter was fired upon, every man in the North threw down his hat and wanted to fight instantly. So with the blowing up of the Maine. The news came like a rifle shot and the old fighting spirit seized everybody. Our situation in the Orient is the same as if we were monkeying around a powder-house. If some d— fool should throw down a cigarette stub, the whole business would go off in a flash. Just so, some Russian naval officer may fire on our flag, and we'd be at it hammer and tongs, with the bands playing 'Yankee Doodle,' and you boys falling over yourselves to enlist, all in the name of the United States. I did not see active service in the Spanish-American War, at the time being stationed at Fort Warren, Boston, but his eldest son, a First Lieutenant in the Twenty-fifth Infantry, was killed in the Philippines."

The Oregonian During the Civil War

March 7, 1861.
 At our last dates from Washington it was understood that Colonel Hayne, in behalf of the natives of South Carolina, had demanded of the President the possession of Fort Sumter.

We look for the next news with painful interest.
 The case of the City of Portland vs. Leiland & Stout was on trial at Oregon City yesterday.

Children Teaching.
 MRS. WILSON'S SCOUTING STRUP.
 Relief and Health to Your Infants.

March 7, 1862.
 There was no mail overland from Salem last night.

The traitor presses of the state have for some time been trying to make the direct war tax unpopular with the people. They are unwilling that they shall assist in furnishing the Government this small sum to assist in sustaining the institutions of the country.

Williamette Theater.
 MR. JOHN KELLY.
 Natural Vocalist and Violinist Will Give Vocal and Instrumental Concert at the Above Theater on Saturday Evening, March 8.

March 7, 1863.
 Congress has donated 50,000 acres of land to this state for the endowment of an Agricultural College on the condition that at least one college should be established within five years.

The ship Prima Donna, 125 days from New York, has arrived in San Francisco. A writer from Boston suggests that if all the diamonds in the country were cast upon the "National altar," the National debt would be greatly diminished, if not extinguished altogether.

QUICKSILVER.
 Just received 200 boxes Quicksilver from the new Almaden Quicksilver Co. For sale in quantities to suit.

March 7, 1864.
 Late news from the East: Kilpatrick has made a rapid advance upon Richmond. Lee's communication by telegraph and railroad to the city and the canal and mill on James River is destroyed by the Union forces. After a spirited engagement the rebels are driven inside their works.

Admiral Farragut has made an attack off Fort Morgan.

Beauregard is now in command at Mobile.

There are serious charges against General Meade and there will be an investigation of his conduct at the battle of Gettysburg.

Sherman has made a brilliant movement and Georgia is invaded.

Death of Rev. Thomas Starr King. San Francisco.—Rev. Thomas Starr King died this morning of diphtheria. The Legislature and courts have adjourned in consequence and the whole state is in mourning.

Rev. Mr. King was one of the best known men on the Pacific Coast. He was a wonderful orator and a powerful advocate of Unionism. He was pastor of the First Unitarian Church of San Francisco.

The United States District Court, Hon. M. P. Deady, Justice, will commence its session this morning.

The County Court, Judge P. A. Marquand presiding, will commence the March term today.

HIS PLANS MISCARRY.
 John Meyers' Runaway Trip to Seattle Frustrated by His Wife.

The next time John Meyers attempts to desert his wife and children he will know better than to tell them that it is for their good. Meyers told his wife on Saturday evening that he was going to leave her and go to Seattle on Sunday morning train. He showed her \$100 which he had saved and which he had drawn from the bank, and told her he was going to take it all. He also displayed his ticket for Seattle and packed his trunk, proving that he intended to make good his threat.

Mrs. Meyers reported the case to police headquarters that night, and stated that at one time Meyers had threatened to kill her and her children, and that he had reached the Union Depot he found his wife waiting for him with a policeman. Meyers was taken to the City Jail and District Attorney John Manning prepared a complaint against him for threatening to kill. In the meantime Mrs. Meyers held a consultation with her runaway husband, and he agreed to return home if she would not swear out the complaint.

PERSONAL MENTION
 Mayor J. W. Surprenant, of Astoria, is an Imperial guest.

D. W. Campbell, of Tekoa, O. R. & N. agent at that point, is registered at the Imperial.
 Spencer B. Best, a member of the local legislature, is in the city, and is in Portland for a few days.
 Charles V. Brown and Herman Wise, prominent merchants of Astoria, were guests at the Imperial yesterday.
 George C. Mellett, of Dawson City, a well-known Klondike mining man, is at the Imperial, accompanied by Mrs. Mellett.
 A party of Colorado Springs business men, who are making a tour of the Coast, consisting of Walter L. Whittier, V. H. Henkle, Joseph Harper and E. R. Cole, are stopping at the Imperial.

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ASSETS		INCOME	
Bonds and Mortgages.....	\$74,345,110.94	Premium Receipts.....	\$58,637,889.63
Real Estate in New York, including the Equitable Building.....	21,776,594.13	Interest, Rents, etc.....	15,080,461.30
United States, State, City and Railroad Bonds and other investments (market value over cost, \$15,000,795.00).....	195,454,966.00	Income.....	\$73,718,350.93
Loans secured by Bonds and Stocks (market value, \$20,333,500.00).....	20,333,500.00	DISBURSEMENTS	
Policy Loans.....	18,834,127.74	Death Claims.....	\$18,318,482.94
Real Estate outside of New York, including 12 office buildings.....	15,439,281.54	Endowments and deferred dividend policies.....	7,682,083.44
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies at interest.....	25,625,769.16	Annuities.....	883,278.00
Balance due from agents.....	1,521,245.95	Surrender Values.....	2,383,532.34
Interest and Rents.....	232,803.07	Dividends to Policyholders.....	5,682,295.55
Premiums due and in process of collection.....	5,153,164.00	Paid Policyholders.....	\$34,949,672.27
Deferred Premiums.....	2,509,473.00	Commissions, advertising, postage and exchange.....	7,734,569.13
Total Assets.....	\$381,226,035.53	All other disbursements.....	6,808,769.75
		Disbursements.....	\$49,493,011.15
LIABILITIES		ASSURANCE	
Assurance Fund (or Reserve).....	\$303,457,838.00	INSTALLMENT POLICIES STATED AT THEIR COM-MUTED VALUES.....	
All other Liabilities.....	4,414,059.50	Outstanding Assur-ance.....	\$1,409,918,742.00
Total Liabilities.....	\$307,871,897.50	New Assurance.....	\$ 322,047,968.00
Surplus.....	\$ 73,354,138.03		

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. The Reserve as per the independent valuation of J. G. VAN CISE, Actuary. ROBT HENDERSON, Assistant Actuary. R. G. HANN, Associate Actuary.

We have examined the accounts and Assets of the Society, and certify to the correctness of the foregoing statement. WM. A. WHEELLOCK, V. P. SNYDER, C. LEDYARD BLAIR, GEO. H. SQUIRE, Special Committee of the Board of Directors.

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publican Club of the Fifth and Sixth Wards was completed last night at a meeting in the hall of the club, which was held on the corner of Fifth and Sixth streets, by the adoption of constitution and by-laws and the election of the following officers: President, Leonard D. Diefendorf; first vice-president, Angelo Giura; second vice-president, Daniel Canuto; third vice-president, Giuseppe Ragone; fourth vice-president, Giuseppe D'Eligio; fifth vice-president, Raverio Ruffini; treasurer, Angelo Mazzocco; secretary, Peter Bernadine; executive committee, Joseph Ruonich, Frank Jachetta, Nicola Gasbarro.

Address were made by President Diefendorf, Vice-President Canuto and Treasurer Mazzocco.

TOO MUCH GOVERNMENT.
 Isaac Swett Tells Socialists He Believes in Freedom.

To full benches of common sense, hard-headed men, Isaac Swett, a lawyer, disdained upon the dream of philanthropists, socialism, last night at Socialist Hall, 309 Duane street. The audience represented every nationality of Europe and America. Swett, one class was present, that which childhood should be with labor and wears out with the strain in the end. Mr. Swett could not have asked for listeners who would have listened to a trade against the present order of things more intently or who would have applauded any scheme by which they could get an equal share of the world's goods more enthusiastically, but he had another purpose.

He is no agitator and does not rave against capital and the trusts and all the other favorite butts of Socialist anathemas. He is an economist and seeks to discuss questions coolly. Moreover, he is no advocate of upsetting the social organization as it now exists. He thinks out-and-out Socialism is worse, than the existing order of things. He is an ardent believer in freedom and he does not believe in sacrificing individualism to the state. He commented at length last night upon the evils of public and governmental services, naming the postal funds as a glittering example of the rottenness of the public service. With such examples he was not ready to place everything on a public basis. Human nature as it exists at the present stage of civilization is not fit for Socialism.

And Mr. Swett did not really argue in favor of Socialism, but he did argue in favor of party Socialism, as he called it, by which he meant the rooting out of grafters, the annihilation of the spoilsman, and the election of honest officeholders.

When his speech and the fact that election time is coming in the neighborhood, it will be noticed that the meeting was really a political event. Though Socialists, like prohibitionists, have not a great deal of hope, they like to get together and keep up what spirit they can arouse in favor of their favorite schemes. The Socialists as assembled last night in their hall are really reformers of a rather idealistic kind, and not Nihilists. They do not stand for any abrupt change in the Government as it now exists, but only wish to eliminate the evils of it and establish justice as it ought to exist under a system of laws like those of this country.

WHERE TO DINE.
 All the delicacies of the season at the Portland Restaurant, 225 Wash. near 5th.

Imperial Hotel Restaurant, 2d floor, also course dinner, 50c; first-class service, a la carte, 2.50 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Killed by Knock-Out Drops.
 NEW YORK, March 4.—Leon Meliss a

theatrical agent, died today at his home from the supposed effects of "knock-out drops." Just before he died he gave the name of a young woman with whom he had been on friendly terms for about a year and who, he said, was responsible for his condition. The police are looking for the woman.

SOON TO LET CONTRACT.
 Columbia Southern Extension Begins in April.

The contract for the construction of the Columbia Southern from Shanks to Bond will be let early this month, it is said. It is expected that active construction on the extension will commence within the next month and it will be pushed with all speed possible until the road is completed.

When the company announced that it proposed to build to Bond, the exact route was not definitely settled. Surveys had been made through several districts, and as soon as it became known that the road was actually to be built, there was a rush of landgrabbers to the district. These attempted to gobble up unoccupied lands for the purpose of selling right of way. In an effort to avoid trouble from this source the exact route was kept secret, and, in fact, is still a secret so far as the general public is concerned. It has been decided upon, however, and all rights-of-way, it is said, have been secured. Everything is now in readiness for construction. It is understood that orders for rails have already been placed in the East and will be on hand by the time sufficient grading has been done for track-laying to begin.

The progress of the road will be watched with interest by those living in the district through which it will run, for it will mean much to them. The lack of railroad facilities in that part of the state has been a check to its progress for many years. The completion of the extended road will doubtless be attended by a rapid settlement and development of the country.

EXPORTS FAST INCREASING.
 Record for Seven Months Eclipse Those for the Same Period.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Exports of manufactures in January and in the seven months ending with January show a larger total than ever before in the same portions of the year. For the month of January they amounted to \$23,213,353, while the highest January record on any former occasion was that of 1900, when they were \$22,596,340. For the seven months ending with January they amount to \$226,514,968, and the highest record for that period was that of 1900, when the total was \$220,594,064. Thus the total for January is \$2,000,000 in excess of any preceding January, and for the seven months ending with January is about \$11,000,000 more than in any preceding seven months ending with January. These figures are shown by an analysis of the January exports just prepared by the Department of Commerce and Labor through its Bureau of Statistics.

This increase of \$20,000,000 in exports of manufactures in the seven months ending with January as compared with the corresponding seven months of last year is distributed among most of the leading classes of manufactures exported. By far the largest increase occurs in manufactured copper, of which the exports in the seven months ending with January, 1904, are reported at \$11,322,477, against \$22,514,948 for the corresponding months last year, and \$19,000,328 for the corre-

sponding period of the year preceding. Refined mineral oil is next in the list of manufactured articles showing an increase in export values, being for the seven months ending with January, 1904, \$42,029,461, against \$35,324,067 in the corresponding months of last year, and \$46,644,000 in the corresponding period of the preceding year.

Iron and steel stand next in the list of manufactured articles showing an increase in export values. The total value of iron and steel exported in the seven months ending with January, 1904, is \$29,125,730, against \$26,997,942 in the corresponding months of last year and about \$4,000,000 increase as compared with the seven months ending with January, 1903.

The table which follows shows the value of domestic manufactures exported from the United States in the month of January and the seven months ending with January, from 1894 to 1904:

Year.	Month of Jan-uary.	Seven months ending with Jan-uary.
1894.....	\$14,212,285	\$111,066,083
1895.....	14,101,728	104,696,241
1896.....	12,892,082	128,892,082
1897.....	20,621,179	153,894,494
1898.....	22,596,340	155,441,049
1899.....	25,904,570	182,236,610
1900.....	22,596,340	224,301,141
1901.....	22,694,064	226,644,064
1902.....	24,146,546	226,146,546
1903.....	21,728,488	220,225,294
1904.....	23,213,353	250,214,968

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