## IN HIS DEFENSE

#### City Engineer Answers Charges.

#### THE SYSTEM IS TO BLAME

He Has Not Been Permitted to Choose His Inspectors.

OTHERS MAKE SELECTIONS

Political Organization Through Its Managing Committee and Civil Service Commission Has Dictated All Appointments.

HAS NOT NAMED HIS INSPECTORS. In the practical administration of es in the City of Portland, the City Engineer has not been permitted to name one of the many inspectors work-ing under him. The political organizathrough its managing committee and Civil Service Commission has selected and named every one of them. If the inspection has been good and in all cases fully protected by these inspectors, the organization is entitled to credit therefor. If the results have proced unsatisfactory, then the political administration of inspectorship has been tried and found wunting and a

new system should be adopted.

City Engineer W. C. Elliott yesterday issued the following statement, in which he declares that he courts an investigation of the administration of his office: "I am satisfied," he says, "that a fair investigation, conducted to ascertain the truth, and not for political effect, will, and can result only in the complete refutation of all the charges that have been or may be brought against him."

Tis statement follows: Nuch has appeared in the public press about the City Engineer's office and about the duties he owen to the public and it has been charged that the City Engineer himself has been remise in the performance of his official duties. A little light upon the subject will be timely now and will enable the taxpayers and others in-sercested to determine for themselves where the blame, if any, should fall.

Volume of Work.

Attention is called to the volume of work passing through the office. During the last year there have been under construction eighty-four (84) sowers, involving a total cost of \$211,000; also one hundred and thirty-seven (187) streets and bridges, involving a total cost of \$1,415,000. All of these have been under the direct supervision of the City Engineer's office. In addition to the outside work to unless the in these numerous contracts. work involved in these numerous contracts, the office work, the intricate detail work of repairing plans and specifications and the ex-ert work of testing material offered, much of requiring the personal attention of the if requiring the personal attention of the Engineer, have all had to be kept up to enable these various improvements to go forward. Owing to this condition of affairs the City Engineer cannot, and in fact it is not contemplated that he should, give his personal atten-tion to the impaction of each, or of any one

Duties of Inspectors.

From the foregoing conditions there has been evolved a system of inspectors whose duty it is to represent the Engineer in the susperviction of the work going on. These inspectors are furnished with a copy of the plans and specifications under which the work is being done and are placed over the work for the sole and only purpose of seeing that the work is done strictly in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Then the further duty of these inspectors to certify in writing upon blanks pripared for the purpose that file work is so done. When such certificate is made out it passes in due course to the Engineer and be affixed thereto the Engineer and the certificate then goes to the disbursing branch of the city government as the basic for approval of and payment for the work done.

The inspector as will be seen is a trusted employe. Aside from such casual inspection as the Ragineer may be able to give to the same time, the inspector is the only safeguard there is between the contractor and the tax payer.

The inspector is further the direct representative of the City Engineer and should be will do even that much. By many persons it is assumed that Multinomah will not have a candidate for president of the Senate or Speaker of the House this time, but his resolution that they will do even that much. By many persons it is assumed that Multinomah will not have a candidate for president of the Senate of the House this time, but his resolution that they will do even that much. By many persons it is sassumed that Multinomah will not have a candidate for president of the Senate of the Multinomah that have a candidate for until the session of 1907, when Multinomah shall have a candidate for the the session of 1907, when Multinomah shall have a candidate for the the session of 1907, when Multinomah shall have a candidate for until the session of 1907, when Multinomah shall have a candidate for presidency and the Representative of the City Engineer and should be seen in a trusted the presidency and the session of th

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The inspector is further the direct representative of the City Engineer and should be sentiative of the City Engineer can place under in whom the Physical administration of politics in the City of Portland, the tration of politics in the City of Portland, the Senator Kuykendall, so far as can be learned, has not asked for pledges from this county, the outlook for his success. city Engineer has not been permitted to name one of the many inspectors now working under him. The political organization through its managing committee and Civil Service Commission has selected and named every one of these county shall decide to try for these county.

mission has selected and named every one of them.

If the inspection has been good and if the Speakership, Representative A. A. Baliey will probably be its favorite, or rights of the tanpayers have been in all cases fully protected by these inspectors, the organization is entitled to credit therefor. If the results have proved unsatisfactory, then the political administration of inspectorship has been tried and found wanting and a new system should be adopted.

Fossibly it might be well to let the head of each department select men on whom he could each department select men on whom he could could be also an assirant for the

partment select men on whem he could at least for whom he would feel and act personally responsible.

Tanner-Creek Sewer.

Having in mind then the fact that the City Engineer is neither omniscient nor commission, what is there to the Tanser-Creek sewer that merits the shuse and criticism of the City Engineer prepared the specifications and plans and it would seem that they were good and acceptable to every one to see that the work of the inspectors furnished seems to have been in accordance with the specifications. The City Engineer prepared the specifications and plans and it would seem that they were good and acceptable to every one is see that the work was properly done according to the plans and specifications, a copy of which the inspector had. It seems that flerce rivalry and jealousy existed among the pool of contractors who appeted to secure the contract that the defeated contractor who was doing the work to the contract to who was doing the work to be contract to the work and to pass out the word where such defects could be found, that when the proper time came the true that the sewer is in an unsuffer or even an unsatisfactory condition as manufact or even an unsuffactory of the department, who has that the sewer is in an unsuffactory of the department, who has that the sever is in an unsuffactory of the department, who has that the sever is in an unsuffactory of the department of the telegram of last evening.

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first-class job that he not only did not shrink from but actually coorted an investigation and inspection of the sewer. Were it to be composed that all that has been charged as to defects in the Tanner-Creek sewer is true; that the inspector in charge has been guilty of grow neglect of, or violation of duty, it would not affect either the integrity or ability of the City Engineer, unless it further appears either that the Engineer had or should have had knowledge of the defective condition of the sewer, or that the inspector stood in such a relation to the Engineer that he was responsible for the neglect or misconduct of such inspector. What has been said of the Tanner-Creek sewer is true of every other contract going on under the Engineer's office in the city. The public has a right to demand absolute integrity and the exercise of professional ability from the Engineer whom they elect. They have a right to demand of those whom the Engineer himself selects or appoints as his deputies and assistants the same integrity and such ability as the wages paid will command in the market of the world. The City Engineer courts an investigation of the administration of his office along these lines and is satisfied that a fair investigation conducted to ascertain the truth and not for political effect, will and can result only in the camplete refutation of all the charges that have been or may be brought against him.

ACCUSED OF DASTARDLY CRIME Man Said to Have Placed Young Wife in Evil Surroundings.

From a life of happiness, refinement and wealth in a country village to the depths of shame in the mases of the North End in two brief months is the story of Bertle May Johnson. To add to the pathos of the case her husband, who so recently pledged himself to be faithul and true to the beautiful girl through good and evil report, is arrested, charged with having placed her in a disorderly house and living from her earnings.

Crying bitterly in her room in a North End hostelry, the child-wife's sad plight became known to two men paseing through the hallway. Believing something was decidedly wrong, they reported the matter to Detectives Kerrigan and Snow. After careful investigation the officers concluded to make the arrest of Johnson and he was caught just as he was arranging with an expressman to transfer what few things belonged to himself and wife from the North End to another rooming-house further uptown. He begged to be released, saying a grave mistake was being made, but his pleadings were vain, for without any useless ceremony he was without any useless ceremony he was marched off to the City Jall, where he was quickly locked in a cell.

At first the young wife, who is aged If years, refused to disclose the alleged guilt of her busband, but when inform that she might as well tell all, she broke down and to Chief of Police Hunt and Matron Simmons told the sad story.

Today Johnson, charged with placing his

wife in a disorderly house and living from her earnings, will be arraigned before Mu-nicipal Judge Hogue. There is a charge of being an inmate of a disorderly house against the young wife, but it is believed that, as she desires to escape from her present condition and reform, the opportunity will be given her. She may be sent to the Magdalen Home for a time, but it is believed she will finally be allowed to return to her parents at Scap-poose, where she lived all of her life up her marriage to the man now accused leading her into her present sad posi-

of the best-known and most highly re-spected families of Scappoose. All her life, it is said, she had been gratified of her every wish, as her parents are well-to-do. Johnson was employed in a restaurant, and the two met and formed an attachment for each other. They were married two months ago. They removed here but a few weeks ago, where, it is alleged, she was compelled by her husband to lead a life of shame and to support him. He admitted to the officers that he has not been working.

After the delegation shall have organized by election of a chairman and appointment of committees, it will invite all

Secretary Taft Starts Home.

TO MEET NEXT WEEK. Multnomah Legislative Delegation to

Get Together. BELLINGHAM, Wash., Dec. 7 .-Members of the Multnomah legislative delegation will meet probably next week for discussion of proposed laws, and perhaps for a little side talk on organiza-tion of the two houses. It is taken for granted in political circles that they will not try to organize more than one House, but it is not in a mice contribute that

port. Now that the custom has been established it is believed that the millions of feet of lumber and thousands of cases of salmon that are shipped from Bellingham every year will be placed to the credit of the port from which it is shipped.

Steamer Elleric Released. The British steamer Elleric under charwhich has been detained at the quarantine station at the mouth of the Columbia day, and will be brought to this city at once to load cargo for the Orient. Cap-tain McLeod and two of the Chinese crew who have smallpox will remain at the station until they have recovered. The steamer is in command of First Officer

Steamers for Upper Columbia. It is stated that Captain James Cochran, who built the steamer Telephone, is to who built the steamer Telephone, is to build two light-draft steamers, each 160 feet long, for service on the Upper Colum-bia above Ceillo. The boats, according to the report, are to be ready of handle the tourist travel that will be attracted

of the dock. Barges were placed between the ship and the dock, and she will seen Bids Requested for Supplying 11,000 be lightened sufficiently so she can dis charge directly on the whart.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

The Government is in the murket for The Government is in the market for an immense quantity of forage to be shipped to the Philippines. Bids will be opened by Captain Jesse M. Baker, dis-bursing Quartermaster, in this city at noon on January 9 for 8550 tons of hay and 450 tons of oats. The Quartermasters at Seattle, San Francisco and New York will also receive bids. The quantity of forage required will make two full cargoes for a steamer the size of the Dix, and it is to be hoped that Portland will secure the San Francisco for Aberdeen; steamer Grace Dollar, from San Francisco, for Aberdeen. Salled-Schooner K. Wood, from Hoquiam for business. The grain and hay merchants of this city will enter into the competi-tion, but there is some fear the order may not be placed here. The fact that bids will be received at New York cannot Hoquism for San Pedro. will be received at New York causes some to think that the oats may be shipped from the Atlantic senboard, as oats are much cheaper in the East than on the Pacific Coast. At the same time it fsh) late Stanley Dollar (American), from San Francisco: Aragonia, from Portland, Or., via is possible a way may be found to bring Eastern oats here for shipment from this Coast. So far as the hay order is concerned, if the Government wants grain hay, as it has in the past, it is expected the Californians will be able to put in the lowest bids. At any rate, the Portland Hamburg, Dec. 7.-Sailed-Luxor, for San

lowest bids. At any rate, the Portland dealers will put in their proposale, and if no favors are shown any particular locality they hope to get a share of the bus Captain Baker will also open bids or December 29 for supplying a large quantity of lumber for shipment to Manila. Delivery is to be made at Portland, Tacoma, Seattle or San Francisco. The specifications call for 191,500 feet of fir selects, one inch, surfaced on one side, assorted lengths: 300,000 feet of selects, assorted lengths; 300,000 reet of selects, surfaced on one side; 200,000 feet of floor-ing, 247,000 feet of ceiling, 20,000 redwood boards, one side surfaced, and a large quantity of rough merchantable lumber.

GOVERNMENT WANTS QUANTITY

OF FORAGE AND LUMBER.

Tons of Hay and Oats and Ship-

load of Building Materials.

DERELICT OFF GRAY'S HARBOR May Be Wreck of the Schooner

In all about 2,000,000 feet.

Marion, Reported Overdue. HOQUIAM, Wash., Dec. 7 .- The scho er Annie M. Campbell, Captain Larson, arrived in port Sunday and tells the following story regarding a derelict nighted 55 miles off the coast, in the vicinity of

When about 25 miles southwest of Gray's Harbor, we came on a derelict which apparently seemed to be anchored. Our attention was first called to the matted when the lookout reported a derelict off our bows. We ran as close to the wreck as the rough weather would per-mit, and saw the hull of a schooner 3 feet of the mainmast was standing, the part near the deck painted white, abou 40 feet of the stern and hull was visible above water, but we could see no name nor marks to identify the vessel. The position of the wreck gave it the appearance of the bow being weighed down with the anchors, or that a portion of the car-go had shifted, throwing the craft on its

"The waves washing over the vessel at times showed little wreckage, but the deckload seemed to be new lumber. None of the other masts were visible, having been broken off near the deck. Nothing is known what vessel this is, but some think it the schooner Marion, which is

reported overdue."
The schooner Annie M. Campbell arrived in port last Sunday, but the Captain said nothing of sighting this derelict. He wrote to his owners at San Francisco of the incident.

Credit to Proper Port.

cial.)-With a cargo of more than 1,000,000 feet of lumber from the Bellingham Bay Improvement Company's mill, the ship James Tuft signed a crew and cleared from this port today for Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. The act of clearing from Bellingham marks a new era in the commercial business of Puget Sound. still getting, credit for tonnage that was never loaded within 50 or 100 miles of the

But neither Representative Bailey nor Representative W. I. Vawter, of Jackson is to operate the Telephone between Port-County, who is also an aspirant for the Speakership, can find that many votes for the upper river craft.

The steamer Yangise, of the China Mu-tual line, reached the Sound yesterday from London via Asiatic ports. 27.5 feet long 8 feet beam and 3 feet depth of hold.

The French bark Marthe Roux arrived up yesterday afternoon with a cargo of Swansea coal for the Portland Gas Com-pany. Owing to the shallow water there she was unable to get closer than 100 feet

San Prancisco, Dec. 7.—Salled—Bark Sai tlago, for Honotulu; steamer Curacao, for Guayamas; schooner W. H. Smith, for Gray's Harbor; steamship Madagascur, for Port Townsend; schooper Pearl, for Sanak; brig W. G. Irwin, for Roche Harbor. Arrived— Steamer Empire, from Coos Bay; steamer City of Puebla, from Victoria. Hoquiam, Wash., Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Ar-rived—Steamer J. C. Lindauer, from San Prancisco for Aberdeen; steamer Coronado, from

San Francisco; schooner J. Liveston, from New York, Dec. 7 .- Arrived-Finland, from Antwerp.

Hong Kong, Dec. 7.—Arrived—Missouri (Brit.

AT THE THEATERS

What the Press Agents Say.

HE APPRECIATES THE COLUMBIA Adjectives Applied to the Actors and

Actresses by a New Yorker. "That's worth seeing," said a man in the lobby of the Columbia Theater as the the lobby of the Columbia Theater as the large audience was going out after the performance of "Mistakes Will Happen." I like that farce-comedy, for it is genuinely funny and uncommonly well done." "Just run the company over in your mind and observe how good they all are. At a glance note the adjectives that can truthfully be applied to them:

"Miss Countles is beautiful and magnetic.

"Mr. Baume is handsome and talented "Mr. Dills is inimitable in an old may Baume is handsome and talented. "Miss Brandt is uncommonly fetching in

everything she does, "Miss Allen is comely and vastly im-"Miss Fuller is statuesque and emo-

"Mr. Berrell is competent, experienced and trustworthy. "Mr. Bloomquest is the best-liked come dian on the Coast.

"Mr. York is instnuating and popular "There certainly is not a better stock company in the United States, and it is probable that there is no company so good. 'Mistakes Will Happen' was Dickson's great star piece, and as presented this week by the Columbia Company it is this week by the certainly a treat for any one. I like it immensely, and, judging by the large audiences at the theater, Portland likes it,

Last Performance Tonight.

Tonight the last performance of Jane forcoran and Andrew Robson in the beautiful romantic drama "Pretty Peggy" will be given at the Marquam Grand Theater. This is one of the theatrical treats of the season and should not be overlooked.

Bargain Matinee Saturday.

People are always looking for bargains in commodities, and, although theatrical entertainments are considered a luxury, the overworked tollers must have amusement. It is for that reason that the man-agement of the Empire Theater will give a special bargain matinee Saturday afteroon of this week. School children as well as adults can enjoy the privilege of ing the big New York success, "D "Darkest which is playing this week at Portland's up-town theater, at a very low price of admission. "Daykest Russia" is one of the few plays that enjoyed a run in New York two seasons ago. It has since toured all the principal cities in the United States, and has been one of the Formerly vessels loading here and at many of the other ports cleared from pany presenting this powerful play is port Townsend and that port got, and is headed by Eva Mountford, who is a most distinguished actress, and she is ably sup-ported by an excellent company.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

The Prodigal Daughter.

"The Prodigal Daughter" is the sweet-est, saddest story that ever was written. It is the play that has the sensational horserace scene—the beautiful melodrama that will greatly please all Portland is now in preparation for the next bill at the Columbia Theater, beginning with the reg-ular matinee Sunday, December 11. This will be one of the most elaborate and expensive productions yet produced in stock, and utilizes the entire strength of the company, beside many extra people. It doubtless will make a memorable week in the history of the theater. No more thrilling or interesting play has ever been seen in this city.

"Everyman" Tomorrow.

"Everyman," which the famous Ben Greet company of players will present at the Marquam Grand Theater tomorrow afternoon, Saturday afternoon and Saturday night, December 9 and 10, was written in 1489 by Peter Dorland, a monk of Diest, elgium, and is the finest extant specimen of the morality plays which were com-monly performed about the streets and in the religious houses of Europe during the made to send organizers into every city the religious houses of Europe during the made to send organizers into every city 14th, 15th and 16th centuries. Its first rep-Marine Notes.

Deputy Collector of Customs Barnes has measured the little steamer Janie Smith, direct the performance here. The respective content is the international union and to levy an assessment on the union for this purpose. In all there are 60,000 carriage and wagon workers in the United States, but this number includes thousands of laborseing overhauled at Supple's yard. She is sentation of this medieval drama has met ers.

with extraordinary popular support, and this is the third season that Mr. Greet has presented it in America. It is announced that the sale of seats for, "Everyman" began yesterday.

"The Little Outcast."

One of the most pronounced successes that appeared in this city last season was E. J. Carpenter's intensely dramatic production of 'The Little Outcast.' This same beautiful play, with all its heart interest, bright comedy and thrilling situations, will be the attraction at the Empire Theater, beginning Sunday matinee and continuing until Wednesday night.

Florence Roberts Coming.

The sale of seats for Florence Roberts return engagement at the Marquam Grand next week opens Friday morning. The arrangement of the repertoire is annuonced as follows: "Zaza" for Monday and Tuesday nights, "Tess of the D'Urbervilles" for Wednesday Night, "The Adventures of Lady Ursula" for Thursday night, "A Doll's House" for Friday night and Saturday matinee and "Marta of the Lowlands" for Saturday night. Miss Roberts' support will include Melbourne Mac-Dowell, Lucius Henderson, William Yer-ance, Sterling Lord Whitney, Gregory Rogers, Christian Lynton, Forrest Sea-bury, Philip Lord, Frank McQuarry, Al White, M. Y. Word and the Misses Adele Worth, Georgie Woodthorpe, Louis Royce, Lillian Armsby, Anita Alien, The Worth. Balcom, Ollie Cooper and others.

AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS

The Girl With a Double Voice. Miss Cole Francis Bowers, the girl

with the double voice, is the movelty that is attracting thousands to the Star Thea-ter this week. She is not only a sweetvoiced soprano, but she can sing alto notes with the rarest richness. Another great act is the acrobatic performance of the three DeGraus, entitled "Foxy Grandpa and the Bad Boys." There isn't a child in Portland who doesn't know Foxy Grandpa, and who will not feel unmixed delight in witnessing this fanous hero of comic papers on the stage.

The Grand.

The Flying Weavers at the Grand are doing an act that is perilous and thrill-ing on the trapeze, and nightly they are making the greatest possible hit. Le Mont and his Chinaman monkey make the audi-ence laugh, and the Kit Carson moving picture is an object-lesson in pioneer his tory worthy of the attention of the mos igent people in the community. bill has given general satisfaction with its ten splendid numbers, and proves that the Grand is keeping up its good record.

Imitates Anna Held.

Seven acts make a merry bill at the Arcade Theater this week. The appearance of Campbell and Shepp is one of interesting vaudeville events of the sea son. Genevieve Ardell, a pretty girl, whose face as well as her voice is her fortune, makes her first appearance as a warbier of illustrated ballads. Montague sisters are two pretty sou-brettes one of whom gives a clever imitation of Anna Held, while the other is the original bowery girl, who sings and dances in a most vivacious fashion.

Funny Chinese Men.

One of the most popular acts on the resent Baker bill is that given by the hompsons, the wonderful Chinese impersonators. They deceive those most fa-miliar with the Celestial race and every one who has seen them is impressed with their wonderful powers of mimicry. By special request the Onri family appears again this week, but in an entirely dif ferent act from that presented by last week. Byron and West, the comedy sketch artists, are making the hit of their lives, and in fact everything on the programme seems to suit the taste of the theater-going public completely.

Bliou Watch Tomorrow. Sidney and Elmo at the Bljou this week

demonstrate what sweet, beautiful music may be wrought from those big brassy saxaphones. How much a human jaw can support is demonstrated by Hildecontaining a grown man. Violet Ross, with her living art studies, has attracted much attention. Friday night is watch night at the Bijou. Diamond-studded

Mitchell at the Lyric.

Not John Mitchell. In fact, neither of the Johns. Not John the Senator, nor John the labor leader, but Mitchell, the famous ventriloquist, who is at the Lyric this week with his "auto-girl," is the greatest Mitchell of them all. Crowded houses have greeted him at each appearance since his opening engagement on Monday and the unanimous approval which he has received from the press which he has received from the press and public establishes his claims to the world's leadership among ventriloquists. Fairbanks and Caine, the dancing and singing sketch artists, are all the money when it comes to their kind of a stunt, and Gene King, with his wonderful dog, is keeping the people laughing all the time. Do not fail to see the great Lyric bill this week.

Prepare to Oppose Open Shop. NEW YORK, Dec. 7.-A special meeting of the International Carriage and Wagon Union executive committee has been called to adopt measures for oppos ing the open-shop movement proposed the National Manufacturers' Association

diving-cage.

He describes the ship as lying on

starboard side. When she settled her

not more than two feet of mud surround:

her. Her resting place, though near the mouth of the Puyallup River, receives

but little of the glacial and silt deposit

Worth \$75,000 if Raised.

When the Andelana was swallowed up

### TO RAISE A SUNKEN SHIP

A. McL. Hawks Is Determined to Float the Andelana. He Will Use Liquid Air in Diving in Tacoma Harbor.

O raise the sunken ship Andelana | will be about 80 pounds to the square | across the rigging he could bear the from the bottom of Tacoma har-bor is the ambition of A. McL. believes. The pheres. The pheres was asked of Mr. Hawks and lost his life, through to return tonight with the necessary would be counted a big man in marine evidence of good faith and to have the circles. contract all signed up tomorrow or next

Mr. Hawks proposes to use liquid air in diving down to the ship and thereby to introduce an innovation in the salvington age of sunken vessels. He will dive to the bottom of Tacoma harbor in the What cause exists for even an altempt to remove the City Instineer? The Mayor has wisely healthafe to follow the partition and the remiser Convenience to the second of the control of the

Hawks, who in partnership with A. J. down there?" was asked of Mr. Hawks McCabe is about to receive the contract last night, but the gentleman was wary. failure of the pumps, so it was said. Since that time Mr. Hawks has viewed for building the Portage Road. Last night, but the gentleman was wary. His plans are his own secret, and if he should divulge them maybe somebody obtain the \$50,000 bond which is rethe ship through the peep-holes of a quired by the State of Oregon as a condition of the contract. He promised yards were swept under so that the peaks of her four masts are resting on the bottom. She reposes on an almost clean clay bottom, and Mr. Hawks is sure that

Ship Turned Turtle. The Andelana turned turtle and went

inside her hull and out, and was as spick and span a vessel as floated anywhere. Eight years before she had she was worth about \$175,000, said Mr Hawks last night, but if she were aften ordinary diving suit, but without the slid down the ways a brand new ves-

C. C. M'GOWAN SAYS IT IS ALL THE SALMON NEED.

Declares That if Closed Seasons Were Properly Observed the Fish Would Want No Other Protection.

That enforcement of the closed season is all the protection salmon need is the opinion of C. C. McGowan, manager of the Warrandale cannery of P. J. McGowan & Sons, McGowan & Sons also operate canneries at McGowan's and Ilwaco on the lower river.

C. C. McGowan while in the city yesterday said that failure of the Fish Wardens of Oregon and Washington to enforce the closed season, especially that after August 15, had undoubtedly curtailed the supply of salmon at the hatcheries and was one of the cause of shortage of eggs, He insisted that Ontario hatchery fish do not enter the Columbia in May and June, as has been alleged, and as Master Fish Warden Van Dusch believes, but in July and August and that there is the strongest of evidence to show that many of them come in from the sea after August

15, the day set by law for beginning the Fall closed season. The Spring closed season begins March 1 and ends April 15. The Fall closed season begins August 15 and ends September 10. Neither closed sea-

on was enforced this year.

Mr. McGowan added that the laws are well enough as they stand except that five days might be added to the open season in August without hazard to the industry. Salmon come in later than they used to, he said, because of the artificial change from old conditions set up by the law and by the fisheries. Salmon that used to come in in July now arrive in August. This is due in his opinion, to the propagation of late fish by the hatcheries and to gillnets on the bar. His opinion is co many fishermen, canners and cold-sto

The closed season he does not regard practicable, first, because of the high cost of enforcement and second because it would save no more fish than the present system, since the salmon entering the river on Sunday would be caught on week days and fishermen would redouble their efforts above the bar and Astoria

Mr. McGowan does not believe it possible to propagate the early Spring schools as the late Summer runs be-cause the Columbia and Snake Rivers are not low enough to permit the place ing of racks until late in July and in August. The schools that appear in the Clackamas in March and April he said are sufficiently safeguarded now by the Spring closed season

Withdrawn for Irrigation Purposes. WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The Genera Land Office has ordered the immediate temporary withdrawal from all forms of disposal of 10,589 acres of public lands in the Independence, Cal. land district, on account of the Owers' Valley irrigation

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