Policeman Myres Is Accused of Smoking Opium.

HE SAYS CHARGE IS FALSE

Chief Hunt Boes Not Believe the Accusation, but Orders Investigation to Clear Myers' Name-Conspiracy Charged.

#### POLICE SCANDAL.

THE ORIGIN-Policeman Croxford reports to Chief Hunt that people on the Albina beat are talking about Patrolman Myres amoking opti THE INVESTIGATION-Chief Hunt

detalls Sergeant Slover to make an immediate investigation, and to report secretly to him. Slover has not yet found anything to substantiate the rumor. MYRES SAYS-It is a dirty "lob," put

There are others in the plot with him. I'll make them all sweat blood before they get through. It is a grievous wrong, is a ile, and they dare not prefer a written charge

CHIEF HUNT STATES-Nothing has yet been found to show the rumor true, but further investigation is being made,

Mounted Policeman Croxford started what bids fair to develop the most sen-sational scandal ever occurring in the Portiand Police Department when he rerted to Chief Hunt Wednesday morning that people on the Lower Albina beat were accusing Patrolman Big Myres of entering a Chinese laundry on Russell street and smoking optum. Horror was depicted on Chief Hunt's

face, and he shrank back in his chair in his private office when Policeman Crox-ford entered and made his report. But a moment before Croxford had spoken to Captuin Bailey regarding the gossip and was instructed to report to Chief Hunt without delay, as it was in reality not a matter for a Captain to attend to. That was the first inkling of the startling rumors, but it is believed that before the matter ends a string of the most sensaclimaxes on record will be de-

Calling in Sergeant of Police Slover Chief Hunt gave him instructions to take up the matter immediately and investigate it to the last ditch. Without waiting the officer did as bid, but to date it is declared by Chief Hunt nothing has been found to warrant in the least degree the rumors reported to be current in Lower Albina by Policeman Croxford. Furthermore the Chief declares his im-plicit faith in Patrolman Myres' innocence, but says the case is so grave that will insist on a most searching inves-

#### Croxford Made Report.

"Policeman Croxford reported to me that people on the beat which is patroled by Officer Myres on the first relief and by Officer Croxford by day were talking about Myres going into a Russell street Chinese laundry and smoking oplum," says Chief Hunt. "I could not believe such a thing, but neither could I possibly

"Policeman Croxford's statement to me was that some persons had told him and were talking it freely on the streets that Myres went into the laundry and smoked opium. I know positively that he did not go in there Thursday night. The facts

| A mass meeting will be held at the Marquam Theater January 12, when prominent Woodmen and representative citizens of the state will be present. February 21 next will be a banner day. Agte that there is not one thing to prove the truth of the rumors about Ofricer Myres.

"Myres has been a member of the de-triment now for more than a year. To partment now for more than a year. To my knowledge he has never been called and further investigation will be made."

### Policeman Myres Talks.

"Rumors have reached me that some-thing of a scandalous nature was being circulated about me, but that such a mor as that about me smoking oplum never thought of," said Policeman res. "If Croxford had reported almost anything but this I would scarcely pay any heed to it. But this is too outrageous and is a lie. I do not hesitate for one minute to brand it as a base false-neous. I have never even held in my town yesterday, wearing the same mash

right with me; I am always right at my post and am willing to be watched at any time. Policeman Croxford is at the botthink I know the others. They dare not prefer written charges against me, cleared up so that no doubt of my inno-cence will be left. It is a grievous wrong and I shall not stand and let them perstrate the dirty 'job,' for such it is.
"I have known the Chinamen at the light of day with it and make it known

Chief Hunt called Policeman Myres into his private office inst night and talked about the case. Myres told him the same things as he gave in the above interview.

### TO MEET IN BOISE.

Northwest Fruitgrowers' Association to Convene in December.

E. L. Smith, of Hood River, presiding officer of the Northwest Fruit Growers' Association, has announced that the annual meeting of the association will be held in Boise, Idaho, on December 16, 17

Mr. Smith will be present as presiding officer, while C. J. Sensel will act as secretary. The association is representative of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, California and British Columbia. It is expected that a large number of delegates will be in attendance and that a very interesting and instructive convention will be the result. J. B. Pilkington, of Portland, will make an address on "The Culture of the English Wainut in Oregon," he having had extensive experience in that line, H. M. Williamson and Dr. J. R. Cardwell, both of Portland, will also have papers before the meeting. In addition to these there will be papers and addresses from some of the most and addresses from some of the Morth. The Culture of the English Walnut in nent fruit raisers in the North-

### Work in Hard Stone.

inmates of the Worcester block and many others have for several days watched with great interest the labors of the stoneoutters employed to put in position springs for closing the swinging doors in the main en-trance of that building. To get these

drill a hole and cut a socket four inches in width and depth in the stone threshold. This proved to be a very hard job in every sense, as the rock is harder than the nether milistone or a money-lender's heart. The very best tempered chisels made but little impression in the stone, every blow from the hammer throwing out a stream of sparks. In cutting the two holes 35 chisels were ruined and so much time was taken up that the stonecutters' bill amounted to 419.55. The contractor who had the job in hand when asked what kind of a job he had been putting up on the owner of the building explained that the stone was a sort of flinty granite or something from a quarry in Wisconsin. He said the late H. W. Corbett paid several hundred dollars for the three stones across the entrance, and they were likely to last longer than the rest of the building. When asked to explain how, if cut-ting two four-inch holes in one of these stones used up 25 chisels and cost \$19.35. it would be possible to quarry and dress three such large stones for a few hundred dollars he gave it up. If it ever becomes necessary to build fortifications about Portland like those at Port Arthur and this kind of stone can be obtained the forts will be impregnable.

#### WOODMEN ARE PREPARING.

Brilliant Event Is to Occur in Feb-

Indications already show that the cam paign started here November 1 by the Woodmen of the World to initiate 1000 new members February 21, 1905, at Merrill's auditorium, Seventh and Oak streets, is going to be a brilliant success, and will be one of the greatest events in the history of fraternal societies in this country. More than 2000 candidates have been pledged by the various camps, and fully 30 per cent of the 1000 has been actually s

Candidates will be furnished by these camps, the number aggregating 103 Webfoot Camp, 100; Portland, 75; Prospect Webfoot Camp, 100; Portiand, 75; Prospect, 50; Newberg, 32; Prosperity, 30; St. Johns, 25; Dailas, 25; Montavilla, 20; North Yamhill, 20; Cornellus, 20; Sheridam, 20; Woodlawn, 15; Dundee, 10; Giencoe, 10; Balaton, 10; Tualitan, 10; Buell, 10; King's Valley, 10; Monroe, 10; Lafayette, 10; Multhomah, 100; Albina, 75; George Washington, 50; Rose City, 30; Sunnyside, 25; Lents, 25; Corvallis, 25; Multhomid, 20; Eccard Grove, 20; Amilian, 20; Corvallis, 25; Multhomide, 20; Lents, 25; Corvallis, 25; Multhomide, 20; Lents, 20; Amilian, 20; Lents, 20; Amilian, 20; Lents, 20; Lents, 20; Multhomide, 20; Lents, 20; Lents, 20; Multhomide, 20; Lents, 20

 McMinnville, 20; Forest Grove, 20; Amity,
 Oewego, 10; Monmouth, 20; Dayton, 10;
 Hillsboro, 10; Gaston, 10; Sherwood, 10;
 Philomath, 10; Airlie, 10; Buena Vista, 10; Bellfountain, 10; Independence, 10. Besides the ten concerts being held by the various camps to keep alive the cam-paign spirit, there will be a number of

other important events on a larger scale Last night Webfoot Camp, No. 65, which has a membership of 1360, entertained in their hall at Tenth and Washington streets, and a most interesting programme, prepared by J. Adrian Epping and William M. Rasmus, of the Western Academy of Music, was much enjoyed by the large audience present. Addresses were delivered by Governor Chamberlain and R. G. Morrow, with made stirring "Woodmen" appeals for recruits for the new army of 1000. The Governor told a number of funny stories. Features of Mr. Epping's music programme were his splendid singing of "Bid Me to Live" and his encore, "Sweetheart," and the singing of 14 members of the Academy Glee Club of girls' voices. The girls' singing is so excellent and their voices blend so well that they now occupy a high place, if not first place, in girls' voice choruses in this city. The programme: Overture, "Cupid's Dream," Camp Orchestra.

piano solo, selected, Miss Alice Sweeny; vocai sole, Miss Mae Bressin; soprano sole, Miss Alice Sween; "cornet sole, Master Craig Baker; bari-tone sole, "Bid Me to Live," J. Afrian Epping; reading, "The Soul of the Violin," W. M. Rasreading. The Soul of the Violin, W. M. Ras-mus; plano solo, by request, Grand Farstasts, "The Mocking Bird." Miss Osle Bartlett; se-lection, "Students' Song." Glee Club of Acad-emy of Music, Accompanist, Miss Molly Rey-nolds. A dance followed.

A stag-social will be held Tuesday evehesitate to order an immediate and most ning by George Washington Camp, No. searching investigation. building.

February 21 next will be a banner day. tiation, but a big parade, on whi occasion all camps from country districts, members from Portland camps and the 1900 candidates will participates, over 400 candidates coming from the Upper Wilinto question for an act of wrong, and I regard him as a good officer. He is a young man, but is learning the police 22. Washington's birthday, at Merrill's business rapidly. I cannot bring myself auditorium Hall, where there is floor to believe for a moment that he is guilty, space of 100 feet square. The entire unibut all of the facts must be brought out tintion and the military ball.

# TO REVISE GAME LAWS.

Flaws Are Found by Sportsmen in Washington Statutes.

hands an oplum-smoking outfit.

"Thursday night I got a hint of what title of "El Comancho," and filled with a fervent desire to see game protected. Slover who was following me around my best, while I was on duty. That is all there than here, but still they find

flaws. They have a licensing law for hunters which has proven good, but, instead of being licensed by counties, tom of this business, but he is not alone. I the sportsmen now believe that they I think I know the others. They dare should have a state license, and so they will recommend to the Legislature. but I shall demand that this matter be cleared up so that no doubt of my inno- than they know what to do with, for their present system of Game Wardens is not such that it conduces to the ex-penditure of much money upon it.

"I have known the Chinamen at the laundry for a long time. I have talked to them quite frequently, but have made no secret of it. If any person, Policeman Croxford included, has anyhing to show that I went in there and smoked opium I want them to come out into the light of day with it and make it known. the attempt this year, and if the sep-aration is affected it is believed in Washington that it would be difficult to have a better system for the protec-

tion of game.

There are, besides, some other points to be changed, such as charging more than the ordinary \$1 license to all be-sides American citizens. In Washing-ton all Americans look alike to the Game Warden, and so do foreigners, but as to the latter the sportsmen be-

lieve they should pay a higher license. There is also a movement to stop the killing of elk. At present a man is allowed to kill two bull elks a season, and the result is that there are herds of cows everywhere and a scarcity of bulls. The proposal is to stop the kill-ing of elk entirely for ten years.

### Protest on Ship's Measurement.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 16.-(Special.)-Captain J. M. Quatrevaux, of the French ship Jules Gommes, today filed an appeal to the Treasury Department asking that the remeasurement of his vessel, as made by the local Customs authorities, be set aside. remeasurement of his vessel, as made by the local Customs authorities, be set aside. He alleges that since his arrival here he has permanently marked the compartments of the vessel so as to permit of a deduction of 665 tons from the gross tonnage, whereas only 19 tons were allowed.

E. L. Thompson. of the firm of Hartman, Thompson & Powers, takes great exception to the remarks of Mr. Minto.

Mr. Thompson Talks. He also states that he has not been at his home port since the agreement be-tween France and the United States relative to the measuremnet of vessels has been announced.

When the remeasurement was made Captain Quatrevaux paid the increased tonnage dues without making a protest.

Canadian Pacific Orders Steamers. LONDON, Dec. 18.—A dispatch to a news agency from Glasgow says the Ca-nadian Pacific Railroad has ordered three trance of that building. To get these large high-speed steamships from Fair-springs into place it was necessary to child & Co.

Proposed Postoffice Addition Creates Much Talk.

MINTO HOSTILE TO THE PLAN

Commercial Club Holds Out for Extension, While Postal Authorities Say Building Will Be Large Enoug's for All Purposes.

There seems to be some difference of opinion as to the advisability of changing the plans now being followed in remodeling the Postoffice, and just what will come of the agitation started by the Portland Commercial Club is in doubt.

Postmaster John Minto is very hostile to any change in the present plan and attributes the new phase of the question attributes the new phase of the question to the interest of the owners in the temporary postoffice building and the property-owners along Sixth street. The owners, Thompson, Hartman and Powers, enter a most emphatic denial of the imputation, and the Portland Commercial Club and T. B. Wilcox chairman of the Exercises. and T. B. Wilcox, chairman of the Executive Board, under whose name the corre-

MARCH OF THE WHITE GUARD. The Sunday Oregonian tomorrow will begin publication of a beautiful story by Sir Gilbert Parker, author of "The Right of Way," etc. It is a moving tale of danger, whose scene is laid in the frozen north, of devotion to duty, sacrifice and sublimated friendship. Publication will be completed in three issues on successive Sundays,

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pondence between the organization and spondence between the organization and the Oregon Congressional delegation has been carried on, is very indignant that such motives should be attributed to them when they are all working for the best interests of the city, both now and for the future. One says it is a mistake, and the other says it is a shame that the first should have such a backwoods idea of the modern spirit of progress which has taken hold of the city. Both say that the other has a wrong appreciation of the fitness of things, and out of this tangle the Government will have to come to the real truth of the thing.

#### "Made Great Mistakes."

Postmaster Minto, being the man who has the business of the Portland office under his control, was thought to have me idea on the subject, and accordingly was consulted.

"I think," said the Postmaster, as he sat in his little two-by-four office in the temporary building, "that the Commercial Club is making a great mistake. I think that they are being misled in their calculation and that they are trying to do something which will be of great injury to the department."
"But the club says that the room will

be much less under the new arrangement than it was before the office moved to the new quarters; that where formerly the old office gave each employe 65 square feet in which to install his paraphernalia

"The Government is paying a heavy

rent for this building." continued the Postmaster. "It is each month paying into the hands of Hartman, Thompson & Powers, the owners, the sum of \$1800. 1 do not blame these people for wanting to keep that rental as long as possible. There are property-owners along Sixth street who want to sell their property, and I do not blame them for wanting to do anything that will help them in their plans thing that will help them in their plans; but I think that it is a sin and a shame to make the public climb these stairs to the money-order department any longer than is necessary. The building here is ill-arranged both for the public and the department, and it is my desire that the office be moved back as soon as it can be

#### To Work Double Force. "I understand that a contract was en-

tered into between the department and is not successful and the work is de-"Would it be possible for the addition of

the east wing to be made after the office had been moved into the building?" the Postmaster was asked.

"The work would not interfere with the work of the office to any material extent." replied Mr. Minto. "That is where I do not favor the change. The office could be moved back and the extra materials." moved back and the extra acuition made without trouble, while if the plan of the Commercial Club is carried out, it will mean perhaps years before the work is done and the office can move back. There is no appropriation for a new wing, and that would have to be made. Then the bids would have to be advertised for, and that would take time, until it would per-haps be three years before the work was completed. In the meantime, the depart-ment would have to continue to pay the enormous rental now paid, and in addition enormous rental now paid, and in addition would have to secure the two storerooms in the building, in view of the increase of business. This would mean an added ren-tal of perhaps \$500 a month."

### Plan Not Good One.

In short, the man at the head of the Portland office summed the matter up

"I do not see the use of cross "I do not see the use of crossing a bridge until you reach it," he said. "I think that the club and its advisors are making a mistake and that their plan will mean that the office will have to remain where it is for three years or so more, much to the inconvenience of the public. I think that the further addition can be made without budgeting the

Mr. Thompson Talks.

"Every one in —e city is not after the dollar alone," he said, "and I think that Portland has grown to such a size that the petty squabbles of the merchants of one street with the business men of an-other should be a thing of the past. I am sure that Sixth street is able to take care of itself, and I know that the firm has been offered as good a rental for the present postoffice bulloung as it is now receiving from the Government. All the inhabitants of the city are not dellar-chasers alone; some work for the ultimate good of the city. We ware here been good of the city. We who have been in-terested in this move are honestly so, as

good of all the people. I trust that no petty jealousies will be allowed to stop the progress of the city."

#### No Personal Interest.

Mr. Wilcox has no personal interest in the question but is acting in the capacity of chairman of the executive board of the Commercial Club. He has stated what he had concluded after some research and investigation and thought that the best interests of the city demanded that the addition be made now, while the present work was being done. Such a procedure would be the practical business way of doing the work, and he had lent his sanc-

tion to it so far.

Mr. Wilcox further takes the position, as expressed in his letter to the Oregon as expressed in his letter to the organization. delegation, that, taking into consideration the expected 10 per cent increase in the postal business incident to the Fair, the per capita space in the remodeled build-ing would be reduced to 45 square feet, as against a former 65 feet, which was too small a space. Therefore, he contends, the change or enlargement should be made now, while the work is being done, and while the office has a temporary and while the office has a temporary building in which to transact the business of the department. He trusts that the provision will be made at this session of

#### FAST RUN UP THE COAST. German Ship Carl Arrives From Port Los Angeles.

The well-known German ship Carl reached Astoria yesterday after a good run of 13 days up from Port Los Angeles. She sailed from Hamburg May 25, but was 175 days to weather the control of 175 days in reaching the California port. There she discharged a part of her cargo, and, after a stay of a little over two weeks, resumed her voyage to this port, being helped on the last stretch of the run by the southerly gales that have pre-valled off the coast. The ship comes to-Girvin & Eyre, and brings 6000 barrels of cement and 200 tons of coke. She is with-out outward apparament.

out outward engagement. The same firm of exporters have two other cargo vessels on the list for Portland, the British ship Lonsdale, which sailed from Shields July 1, and the German ship Arthur Piters which is man ship Arthur Fitger, which is now loading at Hamburg.

# MAROONED MAN AN AMERICAN

Officers of Ventura Confess to Putting Him Ashore.

The stowaway who was found on the American steamer Ventura, after the ves-sel left Auckland for San Francisco, and was marooned by the captain on a bleak was marooned by the captain on a bleak island off the coast of New Zealand, is said by the passengers to have been an American citizen, according to the San Francisco papers. Captain Hayward admitted that he had put the stowaway ashore on the island. "He was discovered on board soon after we left Auckland," he said, "and upon refusing to pay his fare or work his way, I ordered him put ashore. The island where he was landed fare or work his way. I ordered him put ashore. The island where he was landed is separated by a spit from the mainland, and at low tide he might wade across. I think a walk of about five miles would take him to a village, and his 500 would take him back to Auckland. The man was drunk and defiant, and all I could do was to put him ashore. So I landed him on the island."

The passengers declared it was an out-

would take him to a village, and his \$50 would take him back to Auckland. The man was seant not more would take him back to Auckland. The fallity smaller in proportion than it was before."

Will Be Twice as Large.

"I would like to know," replied Mr. Minto, "where the Commercial Club secured its measurements. I am sure that they did not come to me. I know that the building when it is completed will be more than twice as large as it was formerly and I further know that the increase in the force has not been in that proportion. Therefore why should the relative size of the remodeled building be so much smaller? That is something I commercial countries and a walk of about five miles would take him to a village, and his \$50 would take him back to Auckland. The furnishing and re-equipping our office with all the latest improved, modern appliances, both elsectrical and mechanical, we are betained him on the Island."

The passengers declared it was an outrage to land him on a bare rock of an island, where he might succumb to exposure and lack of provisions. But nobody on board the liner felt called upon to exposurate with Captain Hayward for his action in the matter. The marooned man, with good fortune, might have been able to get that work at about half that charged by others. All operations are guaranteed painting and go home with your NEW and I work put the same day.

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## STARTS ON LONG JOURNEY.

Standard Oll Tank Steamer to Tow

Barge Around Horn. NEW YORK, Dec. 16 .- For the first time in marine history, the task of towing a laden barge 15,000 miles from New York to the California coast was begun today. Both the barge and the towing steamer, the Standard Oil Company's tank steam ship Atlas, will carry cargoes of oil. The cargo of the Atlas will be used as fuel on the voyage. It is expected that the trip will last from 70 to 80 days.

The success of the Standard Oil Company in towing barges from the Gulf of Mexico to New York and Philadelphia led to consideration of the project begun to day. In event of success, it is said that the service will be extended to various the contractors in charge of the work only yesterday, by which the latter have agreed to put a double force of men to work and finish the building by June 1. I have hopes of being able to make the move by hasy 1, provided this new scheme in the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting the service will be extended to various European points. The barge which starting t and carries about 6000 tons of oil in bulk. The towing steamer Atlas is of 1243 tons net register.

### STOWAWAYS ON THE ELLERIC

Five Men Found Trying to Beat Their Way to San Francisco.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 16.—Five white stowaways were found on the steamship Eileric, which arrived down the river to-night. The men said they were bound for San Francisco in search of work. They were put ashore here. The first officer ac-cidentally stumbled over them in the foroldentally stumbled over them in the fore

peak.
The Elleric will sail without Captain McLeod, who is recovering from an attack of smallpox. Captain McLeod will be well in a week. Captain Findlay, who is now in charge of the Elleric deales the state-ment attributed to him of scoring the local quaranthe station. He says the treatment accorded him was even more than he expected.

Rate War Reduces Dividends.

BREMEN, Dec. 16.—The directorate of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company have held a meeting here. It is stated that the dividend for 1904 will be only 2 or 3 per cent in consequence of the heavy decrease in earnings in the first ten months of the year, due to the rate war. Business since the agreement be-tween the steamship lines was reached has improved. The dividend for 1803 was 6 per cent, but in 1902 no dividend was declared. The decrease in the dividend this year will necessitate a heavy contribution from the treasurer of the shipping combination, which guaranteed 6 per cent on \$6,125,000 of the North German Lloyd's \$25,000,000 capital.

### Captain of Minnesota Fined.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.-Collector of SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Collector of the Port Stratton imposed a fine of \$100 on Captain John Truebridge, master of the steamship Minnesota, today, for having failed to furnish a certified copy of the crew list to the Custom-House officers on his arrival here. An appeal may be taken to the Secretary of the Treasury, but in the meantime, as the steamer cannot get clearance papers from this port until the fine is paid, it will probably be paid under protest.

Far From Their Destination. SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 16.—The schoon-er Mary Ann, % tons, Captain Bissell, ar-

we can tell from the figures and from investigation that the building will be too small for convenience when it is finished. Mr. Minto was not in the old building, Jack Matthews, the custodian of the building, Ling, knows that it is proportionately smaller than it was before the changes were made. I do not think that the interests of the city would be hindered by the impattence of some one who would like to sell a few extra yards of ribbon or a few necktles. The city has in the past few years awakened to a spirit of progress and has lost its old spirit of cynicism and I trust that no one will oppose the efforts of those was are working for the good of all the people. I trust that no

Local United States Inspectors Edwards and Fuller will today inspect the steamer

Asiatic Steamship Company will next year add another vessel to its Oriental fleet, making five running out from this port. It is not probable that there will be an investigation of the collision between the schooner Annie Larsen and the steamer Surah Dixon, as there does not appear to have been any negligence in the matter. The accident was caused by the braking of a tilier rope on the tug Norman, which was towing the schooner down through the Morrison-street bridge.

#### Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, Dec. 16.-Arrived at 7:30 A. M. and left up at 9:30 A. M.-Steamer Iaqua, and left up at 9:30 A. M.-Stean from San Francisco. Salled at 1 Steamer Redondo, for San Francis at 9:15 A. M.—Schooner James A. Garffeld, for Sar Francisco. Arrived at 11:20 A. M.—Ger-man ship Cari, from Hamburg, via Poet Los Angeles. Outside at 5 P. M.—Schooner Mabel Gale, from San Pedro. Arrived down at 6:45 P. M. Steamer Elleric. Condition of the bar at 5 P. M., rough: wind southeast; bar ob-scured.

Congress for the extension, especially as all the plans are drawn, and it would be but little trouble to provide for the im-Mongolia, from Hong Kong. Salled-Steamer Aberdeen, for Portland, seamer Nebraskan, for Taconia and Seattle; steamer Georgo Loomia, for Seattle; steamer Umatilia, for Vicorin; ship S. D. Carleton, for Bellingh Port Natal, Dec. 14.-Arrived-Gerr Effrieda, from Portland,

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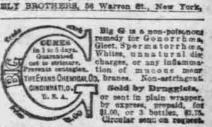
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