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Expert Bihler Reports on His Investigation.

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Construction Company remains responsible for the work. With reference to the final estimate, the report says:

Table with 3 columns: Item, Original Estimate, Final Estimate. Includes items like Excavation, Concrete, Embankment, etc.

The other items are the same in quantity and amount in the contract as in the final estimate. This increase of quantities over the estimated ones in these particular items is so large that an inquiry into the cause seems necessary.

It is also apparent that the original plan shows only about 36 feet. This additional depth, in connection with the increased thickness of the concrete, has not left necessary owing to the increased height, would account for an increase of perhaps 200 yards in concrete and probably the same amount in excavation.

After saying that it is impossible to state with certainty to what depth the work has been carried, but assuming that the abutment has been carried to a greater depth than at first contemplated and that notes kept in the City Engineer's office in lieu of plans confirm the above findings, and assuming that the quantities shown by them gives a total yardage materially the same as the City Engineer's final estimate, the report continues:

It also appears that an allowance of 24 cubic yards of concrete was made in payment of the cost of some steel cable which was used in the bottom of the abutment for reinforcement of the ground, but no provision of this nature being deemed advisable.

The contractors for these bridges have given me complete working drawings showing practically all parts of the steel superstructure in these bridges which were materially facilitated the investigation, and I wish to acknowledge here with the courtesy.

With reference to the construction of this bridge presented at a meeting of the Executive Board on July 17, 1903, and referred to the City Engineer for report, the bids were the following:

Robert Wakenfeld, \$41,937.30; Pacific Bridge Company, \$49,539.00; Independent Construction Company, \$49,539.00. These sums were made up in the several bids by a lump sum for the steel superstructure, floor system, sidewalk and decking, and schedule of unit prices for concrete, excavation, embankment, pavement and roadway planning, according to approximate quantities furnished by the City Engineer and contained in the call for bids.

The propositions were to be based on an outline plan of the structure furnished by the City Engineer which showed the required width of roadway and sidewalk, construction of the floor system, and arrangement of the girders and towers, and the sizes of the principal members in the towers only.

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FIVE YET IN DOUBT

Unbilled Senators Hold Key to Presidency.

RIVALS ON THEIR TRAIL

Kuykendall and Carter Confident of Victory, and Dispute Each Other's Claims—Rumors About Multnomah's Support.

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OLIVER E. PAGN, OF CHICAGO, WHO WILL ASSIST IN PROSECUTION OF LAND FRAUD CASES.

Rumors of the investigating committee yesterday. Mr. Bihler's report praises the construction of the bridges. Only one discrepancy was discovered, and that was in the Marquam-Gulch bridge.

TOOK COURAGE TO DO IT. Prosecution of Land Frauds Shows Fearlessness of President.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—(Special.)—Speaking editorially tonight, the Evening Post says:

These frauds fall roughly into two classes. In the first place the thieves describe the land wrongly. The difference in price between lands for farming, lumbering and mining made it worth while to secure a tract of timber under pretense that it is a farm.

AWAITS LAW'S DELAYS. While Filing of Briefs is Held Off, Nan Patterson is Prisoner.

necessary to excavate for the foundation of the south abutment considerably deeper than anticipated, and from what has been able to learn the base of the south abutment is about 40 feet below the top of the abutment, whereas the original plan shows only about 36 feet.

Exclusive of a detailed account of this discrepancy, the quality of foundation work and the superstructure, the report refers to the Marquam-Gulch bridge:

I believe that between the unavoidable increase in quantities due to poor ground conditions and the original estimates, the quantities in the final estimate are accounted for and that these quantities are in accordance with the original design.

The loading for which this bridge is calculated, class B of Cooper's specifications, is 140 pounds per square foot for each track and 68 pounds per square foot of remaining floor surface for the 160-foot span, 1800 pounds per lineal foot for each track and 80 pounds per square foot of remaining floor surface for the 90-foot span.

For any case of nervousness, sleeplessness, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, relief is sure in Carter's Little Liver Pills.

Path Not an Easy One. The Mills workers have not attained the success they expected when they announced the candidacy of their man last week and confess that the task of drawing men from the Kay stronghold is not easy.

Among the members of the House who arrived in the city yesterday were Van der Horst, G. S. Sonnesson, Huntley, E. N. Donnelly and C. C. Kunev. Both Vawter and Kay were here marshaling their cohorts.

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.—Convicted by a jury in the United States District Court on a charge of having attempted to import a Chinaman into the United States in violation of the Chinese exclusion act, Lam Chee, a wealthy Chicago Chinaman, was today sentenced to two years in the House of Correction and fined \$1000.

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SMUGGLED IN ON ICE. Chinaman is Convicted of Bringing Corpse in Refrigerator Car.

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MEN PLENTY FOR DESK CLERKS. Legislature Will Have Variety of Talent From Which to Select.

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In the Shadow of the Bars. BY RICHARD ROE. HISTORY hath it that Judge Hogue and John Logan once fought. History, perchance, is correct, but the present aspect of things leads one to hope that history shall not repeat itself.

You cannot wipe off the blur! And the reason is there is nothing the matter with your glasses. The trouble is with you; you, yourself. Your head is congested, you are dizzy, you cannot see clearly, and you are all out of sorts. Wake up your sleepy liver! Get rid of a lot of bile. Take one of Ayer's Pills each night, for a few nights. These pills are liver pills, all vegetable, sugar-coated. They act directly on the liver, curing biliousness, constipation, dizziness.