# TWO IN THE FIELD

Hillsboro Will Have Opposition Lines.

SURVEYORS ARE AT WORK

Portland Consolidated Determined to Build, and Oregon Traction Intends to Do Likewise-Southern Pacific Neutral.

The appouncement that the Portland Consolidated Ratiway Company will build an extension to Hillsboro during the coming year has caused no little comment, is an entirely new project so far as any one outside the confidences of the

insuagement know.

It is stated positively at the headquarters of the company that the road will be built and that surveyors are now in the field looking for the most feasible route. What this route will be is the interesting thing, in view of the recently announced determination of the Oregon Traction Company to construct a line past Willam will think best will depend upon a number of conditions. The grade will perhaps be the first consideration and a line will be hunted out which will afford the least resistance to the construction of the tracks, but at the same time the district through which the line is to pass will be of great weight in deciding the route.

Rival Project Hastened Action.

It is known that the Portland company liss intended, when the time should be ripe, to extend branch lines from the main city system into the surrounding suburbs, and even farther out into the interfor, but it was not supposed any of the numerous projects would be taken up now when the company is so bound up in im-provements and construction work here. The commencement of the Oregon Traction Company's operations through the fertile Hillsboro country is thought to have determined the management of the Portland Consolidated Company to commence their extension at this time in or-der that they would not be shut out of the country by an established line.

This assumption is strengthened by the assertion of one of the Portland Company's officers who, in answer to the question as to where the line would probably be run, stated that the best route

As the Southern Pacific is too well esto its West Side track, it leads to the bellef that the Oregon Traction Company

#### Not Room for Three.

It is conceded that there is perhaps a good field for two companies in the Hills-boro district, but not for three, and as the Southern Pacific cannot be driven out there is nothing left to believe but that the contest will be in the neighborhood of the Traction Company's line. It would work a great hardship on the new com-pany, which has to equip its line from track to trolley, to meet in epposition the wealthy and well-established Portland Company, which has now on hand practically enough rolling stock to operate the proposed line when it is completed. In view of the positive announcements made by the backers of both companies that the respective roads would be built, it seems therefore as though war would be declared in the Hillsboro country before

the end of the year.

The Southern Pacific apparently takes no interest in the developments, for it is not looking for business other than that immediately tributary to its West Side line. It will, as soon as the new gaseline motors reach the city, put into operation a motor line between Portland and Hillsbare, and will give every place on its line as good service as is possible. The country outside that zone will be unchailenged territory as far as the big steam

It is reflerated, however, by all three companies that the respective extensions will surely be made. The Southern Pacific expects to have its new motors on the track by the middle of February; the Oregon Traction Company promises to have a part of its road, at least, in operation by the time the Lewis and Clark the latter part of the year. Hillsboro's long-continued cry for transportation i destined to be heeded three-fold.

#### To Write Letters of Love

"Whole World Golden Chain of Love to All" Society Organized to Educate Children.

THE Northwestern Ethical Educational Society and others interestin children gathered in Mrs. Lucy Mallory's parlors last night to form what is hoped to be the beginning of an international society for children. The motto, "Love Is the Way, the Truth and the Light," will be the ruling spirit of the organization, which will be call-ed the "Whole World Golden Chain of Love to All." The purpose of the new society, it was announced, is to evolve that love which is latent in every child instead of misdirecting it, and in order will be necessary for each child

write a letter of love to another child. The exact plan of action seemed a bit indefinite, but it was gathered from the it would eventually put a stop to war. This society, which will be the charter organization, will be called a link in the aforesaid "Whole World Golden Chain of Love to Ail," and it is hoped that further links will not be Links will be classified as state, National and world. To join the first the aspirants must write three if I appoint anybody from Portland it letters of love to the objects of their will not be until next Summer, after navaffection and bring them to the secre tary (stamped for mailing) to be read before being sent out. The National link costs six letters, also stamped, and the world link will amount to 18 cents in postage, as nine letters of love are

required for membership.

There is to be a conductor and a secretary, but as love is the dominant feature of this organization, it alone will pay the dues, no money (excepting beave. The game is merely postponed, the postage stamps) being considered. The children are to be given a chance to evolve from within outward and will conduct the affairs of the society themconduct the affairs of the society them-solves, thereby learning the lessons of confidence and love. Parents will be saked not to suggest inharmonious ing while the quarantice is on at confidence and love. Parents will be saked not to suggest inharmonious ideas to children, such as the promise of punishment after a misdemeanor, or pains after pic, as the laws of suggestion should not be carelessly hundled. One speaker stated that "humanity is lacking in the public schools" in fact, she said she had never experienced any humanity to amount to anything until

she came into spiritualism. Another speaker, a school teacher, said he taught the reality of leve to his pupils, but that the small pupils caught it

After setting the fourth Saturday of each month, at 2:20 P. M., as the time of meetings, the new "Whole World Golden Chain of Love to All" ad-

WORK OF ILLINOIS SOCIETY.

Material Results Already Appearing From Good Work.

The efficacy of state societies as an Clark Exposition has been promptly and well proved by the work of a member of the Illinois Society of Oregon. An account of the new organization and its object was forwarded to the "Carlinville Democrat," a live and up-to-date paper of Macoupin County, the result being an offer by the Democrat to send two of the most popular farmer boys of that county to the Lewis and Clark Fair, the selection to be made he a voltage contest.

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The past Summer the Democrat sent two young ladies to the St. Louis Exposition, but this time it has decided to favor the boys who will enjoy the long rayor the boys who wan enjoy the long trip west and appreciate the wonderful resources of the Pacific Northwest. Oregon already has 5000 citizens who came here from Illinois, and if other papers follow the example of the Democrat it may be that a few thousand more may be added from the energetic youth of that progressive state.

that progressive state.

Behind the decision to send "farmer" boys lies a story of a man's interest in this class of boys which has resulted in incalculable good to them and the future interests of the state, and might well be considered to Green the state. Interests of the state, and might went se-emulated in Oregon to the great benefit of our own boys. W. B. Otwell, of Car-linville, Ill., five years ago inaugurated in a small way a "boys' corn-growing contest," offering prizes for the finest specimen ears of corn which had been planted, cultivated and harvested by boys of specified are. The boys of the county of specified age. The boys of the county immediately took a deep interest in the scheme and the second season Mr. Otwell had many magnificent samples of such corn as only Illinois can grow. Gradually the boys all over the state became interested in the contests and from a beginning of three he now has a class of over \$960 farm boys, every one of whom knows how to raise the states greatest and most valuable product. Those who visited the St. Louis Exposition well remember the great pyramids built of corn which these youths raised through Mr. Otwell's instruction, for few exhibits attracted more notice than this work of Illinois' farmer boys. corn as only Illinois can grow. Gradually lilinois' farmer boys,

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After five years' work among the boys of the state Mr. Otwell has begun the issue of "Otwell's Farmer Boy," a monthly paper for and by the farmer boys. It contains their letters and pictures, brief sketches of what they have done, and advocates the teaching of simple agriculture in the schools and the beautification of playgrounds and school-houses. Boys are advised to six on the beautineation of playgrounds and school-houses. Boys are advised to stay on the farm and to be proud of their occupation which becomes a science when properly studied and practiced. If Oregon boys were encouraged to remain on the farm and to study the various resources and industries of this state, which far out-number those of Illinois, it might be that appeals for settlers would not be essary in the future.

#### LIBRARY TO OPEN FEBRUARY 1 Money Is Subscribed to Pay for the Rooms for One Year.

At the meeting of the Sellwood Library and Reading-Room Association at the home of Rev. D. A. Thompson, Tuesday evening, the report on finances showed that over \$300 had been subscribed roward. the current expenses of maintining the rooms. Some cash is on hand, and it was rooms. Some cash is on hand, and it was decided to proceed with the work of fitting up the rooms in the building on Umatilia avenue, opposite the school-house. It will cost shout \$50 to put the rooms in condition for receiving the books and for reading purposes. It will probably take about two weeks to get them ready.

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Chairman A. N. Wills appointed the following committees: Finance, Mrs. R. Kerr and E. O. MiNer, socretary and treasurer, respectfully; on selection of books. D. A. Thompson and Mrs. Kerr, rooms. D. A. Thompson, Robert Brown and Mrs. Kerr. It is desired to get the rooms open. If possible, by February 1. Miss Mary F. Isom, Ilbrarian of the Port-land Library, will assist the committee in and Lorary, will assist the committee in the selection of books for the circulating library. It is the purpose of Rev. D. A. Thompson to organize a boys' class and occupy one of the rooms as a gymnasium.

#### GET \$6000 ON HOP SUIT.

Lilienthal Bros. Awarded Verdict in United States Court.

Lilienthal Bros. were awarded a ver-dict for \$6000 yesterday in their suit against Dave Dove and H. Hirschberg, brought in the United States Court. Lillenthal Bros. sued for \$3000, alleging same to be due by reason of the failure of the defendants to comply with the

terms of a hop contract.

The evidence of the plaintiff showed that a contract had been entered into for the purchase and sale of hops, and that it was provided in the contract that delivery should be made by the defeat delivery should be made by the defend ants upon receipt of ten days' notice by the plaintiff. This notice, it was alleged, had been given by a letter sent through the mails. The defendants testified they had never received such notice, and were therefore under no obligation to make de-

The preponderance of evidence was on the side of the plaintiffs, however, and a verdict returned in their favor.

# SOON TO START NORTH.

T. C. Powell Will Leave for Alaska in Near Future.

pointed United States Marshal for Nome District, Alaska, says he will leave for his new post soon after official notice from Washington, to assume the duties of the office. He will proceed to Valdez and travel from there to Nome over the ice with dogsleds.

appointed this and that person as a deputy. In conversation with a reporter yesterday, Mr. Powell said: "I have not appointed any deputies, and do not intend

"No one will go in with me over the ice except a man to assist me in traveling, I will not take any deputies in with me. If I appoint anybody from Portland it

#### Football Game Postponed.

The football game between the little felponci. The Chemiwa school is quaran tined on account of measies, and though the team is hardly affected, it cannot have. The game is merely postponed,

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"Willamette" Sewing Machines at Clearance Sale Prices

# The Meier & Frank Store's Clearance Sale The Most Important Special Sale of the Year

The man or woman who does not take advantage of the great Clearance Sale now in progress to stock closets, wardrobe and drawers to the full extent to which needs can be foreseen is falling far short of living up to his or her opportunities-We may say that choosing is just as good today as it was three weeks ago-Stocks for this phenomenal January selling are not reduced to any picayune scale but enlarged to the broadest guage retailing ideas-We desire to have just what people want and plenty of it-in many lines new Spring merchandise is included at Clearance Sale Prices Mail Orders receive full advantage of Clearance Sale Prices

# Women's Suits Greatly Reduced



Entire stock of women's fine Suits is being cleaned up at marvelously low prices—This season's best garments in jacket and tourist styles; tight-fitting and vest effects in cheviots, cashmere, tweeds and broadcloths, brown, black, blues, checks and mixtures, all sizes, splendid variety for your choosing-2d Floor \$26.00 and \$28.00 Suits Are Reduced to \$16.45 \$34.00 to \$37.00 Suits Are Reduced to \$21.45

All Suits up to \$75.00 marked at low Clearance prices. All popular-priced Suits at low Clearance Sale prices Evening Costumes and Wraps at special low prices.

#### Women's Coats at Half Price

Women's Jackets in 25-inch, 26-inch and 28-inch lengths, Kersey, Cheviots, Broadcloths and mannish mixtures, in fullbacks, Tourist backs and half-tight-fitting effects, in blacks, blues, browns, easters, light and dark Tweeds and mixtures; all this season's very best styles. Most of the garments are

desirable for Spring wear-	*
\$6.00 Coats now\$3.00	\$12.00 Coats now\$ 6.00
7.50 Coats now 3.75	14.00 Coats now 7.00
9.00 Coats now 4.50	16:00 Coats now 8:00
10.00 Coats now 5.00	20.00 Coats now 10.00
22.00 Coats now 11.00	24.00 Coats now 12.00
28.00 Coats now 14.00	30.00 Coats now 15.00

#### Tourist Coats at Clearance Sale Prices

Women's Tourist Coats, in Coverts, Cheviots and | Kerseys, black, brown, tan and blue; this sea-

Tourist Coats, values up to \$30, are \$19.45

Women's Tourist Coats in Coverts, Cheviots and trimmed, values up to \$24.00; on \$12.45 Kerseys, beautiful styles, neatly made and Tourist Coats, values up to \$26, are \$14.95

Entire stock of Cravenettes at exceptionally low Clearance Sale prices. Second floor.

# Men's Suits and Overcoats



The wise man looks ahead-Even if you have no pressing need for Suit or Overcoat today you will have before long and such an opportunity as this does not present itself every day. Styles and materials are the very best-Perfect fit guaranteed-Every garment in our entire stock is included-Anticipate your Spring needs Men's \$18.00 Suits \$14.10 Men's \$20.00 Suits \$15.00

at Clearance Prices

Men's \$22.50 Suits \$18.15 Men's \$25.00 Suits \$19.65 Men's \$30.00 Suits \$22.85 Men's \$35.00 Suits \$26.90

Men's \$17.50 Overcoats Now at \$13.90 Men's \$22.50 Overcoats Now at \$18.85 Men's \$25.00 Overcoats Now at \$19.75 Men's \$35.00 Overcoats Now at \$26.90

All Cravenette Raincoats at Clearance Prices Entire stock of Trousers at Clearance Prices Fancy Vests, Dress Suits at Clearance Prices Men's White Coats, Waiters' Aprons, Overalls, Jumpers,

Etc., all marked at Special Clearance Sale Prices

# Muslin Underwear

Portland's Largest and Best Display

Cambric, muslin and nainsook Gowns, yoke and bishop styles, high, V. round, aquare necks, long and short sieeves, embroidery, lace, ribbon, beading trimmed— 43c, 69c, 79c, 87c, 98c, 81.28, 81.48, 81.52, up to \$18.98.

Corset Covers of fine cambric, nainsook, lace, embroidery, beading and tuck trimmed, insertions and ribbons, blonce fronts and plain tight-fitting, great values at 22c, 29c, 43c, 48c, 72c, 81c, \$1.28, up to \$18.00 each.

Women a fine cambric, nainsook and muslin Drawers, made with wide ruffles, trimmed in laces, embroidery, tucks, insertions, beadings and ribbons, great values at 22c, 39c, 43c, 69c, 63c, 88c, 81.28, up to \$15.00 pair.

White Potticoats in immense variety, wide flounce, he skimping of material or trimming, clusters of tucks, insertions, lace, embroidery, edgings, beadings and ribbon trimmings—83c, 28c, 181.23, \$1.23, \$1.23, \$1.12, \$2.12, up to \$35.00 each.

# Graniteware at Clearance Sale Prices



#### Pillow Cases 200 dozen Pillow Cases, good cot

ton, size 45x36, extra value. 10¢ 200 dozen Pillow Cases, hemstitched, size 45x36 inches, great spe-good value, at ............50¢

#### Wash Goods

3000 yards of Zephyrs, Scotch and Novelty Ginghams, 25c to 40c values, handsome patterns and colors at, yard ......17¢ Immense line of new fancy White Infants' white Silk Bibs, quilt-Waistings, beautiful patterns, extraordinary value at, yd.25¢ 33-inch wide White Organdie, regular 40c quality, on 48-inch White Wash Chiffons-65e grade for, yard ..... 40¢ 75e grade for, yard .....50¢ 85e grade for, yard ..... 60¢ 46 to 50-inch wide French Lawns, in white; great values- . 30c grade for, yard ..... 20¢ 35e grade for, yard ..... 22¢ 40e grade for, yard ..... 28¢ For graduates, India Linons, Persian Lawns, Batiste, Mulls, Swiss Mulls, Wash Chiffons, etc. all at Clearance prices.

# Ribbon Specials

4-inch Satin Taffeta Ribbons, in pink, white, maize, lilac, green and Yale blue, fine quality, best 25c value, for, emerald, sable, zibeline, melon, pink, blue, terra cotta and Exposition colors; beautiful qualyard......18c ity, great value,

# Long Cloth \$1.08 a Piece

### Men's Wear Great special lot of men's 50c Neck-wear in English squares, four-in-hands and tecks—very best patterns

	and colorings immense variety. The
	grandest Neckwear bargain 25c we ever offered, each
: 1	Men's pure linen hemstitched Hand-
Ш	are on sale at 2 for
ш	Men's colored bosom Shirts, splendid
41	patterns, leading colors, all \$1.13
- 1	All our men's \$1 stiff bosom 670
9	Men's and boys' Golf Shirts, with
e II	collars to match, all sizes, marvel-
	ous values at. \$1.00
e II	10 per cent reduction on Cardigas
	Jackets, best styles, all sizes.  Men's ribbed wool Underwear, silves
e II	gray, shirts and drawers, all sizes, \$1.00 value, each830
	Boys' Buster Brown Sweaters, 83c
	navy, scarlet, each
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### Knit Underwear Extra Specials

Underwear needs can be supplied here far below usual cost. Very best grades and styles; all sizes. Note the following:

Women's imported Swiss rib-bed Wool Vests, in pink, blue, white and gray, all sizes; best \$1.75 values, on sale for ..... \$1.37

Women's imported Swiss ribbed Silk and Lisle mixed Vests, in pink, blue and cream, medium weight; regular \$1.50 \$1.09 on sale for

Munsing" mixed Wool and Cotton Union Suits, natural color, size 3 only, best \$1.50 value, on sale for . . . .



### Best 85c Hosiery 63c

100 dozen Women's handsome Lisle Hosiery, new styles, just received, black and colors, allover lace and plain Lisle effects; also embroidered ankles, in very latest designs; all sizes; regular 75c and 85c values, on sale for, pair.... 63c

#### Extra Good Handkerchief Bargains

\$1.00 Armenian Handkerchiefs, hand made, lace trimmed, great value, each ...... 65c French hand-embroidered initialed Handkerchiefs, 37c value extraordinary at, each

Entire stock of Handkerchiefs at Clearance prices. Entire stock of Kid and Wool Gloves at Clearance prices. Ribbons, Laces, Embroideries at Clearance Sale prices.

#### Infants' Wear Low Priced

The infants' section, Second Floor, is full of the most astonishing Clearance Sale bargains-Economical mothers should investigate the following:

Infants' fine Cambrie and Nainsook Dresses, yoke and Bishop styles, trimmed in very fine Val. laces, edgings and inserbeadings, \$3 val...\$1.98 Infants' cream colored Outing Flannel Skirts, embroidered in white silk, great 75e values ...... ed and embroidered in 27cl Infants' Wool Knit 32c Bands, 25e and .... ....25¢ Infants' Dresses, tucked yoke Wear at low Clearance Sale



# Clearance Sale of Boys' Clothing

for the low price of ... \$6.95 Young Men's all-wool beltedback Overcoats, sizes 16 to 20 years, \$16.50 values. \$12.10 Young Men's fancy Tweed and Cassimere Suits, sizes 15 to 20 years, \$15 values .... \$10.85 Boys' \$4.50, \$5 2-piece Suits in good styles and materials, ages 8 to 16 years ..... \$3.45

Boys' \$10 Sailor Suits on sale | Young Men's all-wool Suits, best \$7.50 values, for \$4.95 Boys' Woolen Waists, red, blue and gray, all ages, \$1.25 values years, best 85e values, in all sizes, for the low price of, pair ..... 59e Boys' \$7.50 Sailor Suits in the very best styles and materials ...... \$5.65

# Lace Curtains Pillows, Etc. Third Floor

Scotch Net Lace Curtains, Arabian color, plain centers, with nar-row Cluny design borders; mar-velous values at, \$108 row Cluny design borders; marvelous values at. \$1.98

Cable Net Curtains, Arabian colora, small insertings and floral patterns, best \$2.50 values on sale for \$2.48

White Irisa Point Lace Curtains, small insertings, plain and detached figure centers, three great lots to select from—
\$1.50, \$5.90 values, pair \$4.90
\$4.50, \$7.90 values, pair \$4.95
Beet \$5.50 values, pair \$4.95
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\$1.75 Bed Pillows, \$22x25
in, fancy stripe ticking \$1.49
\$2.25 Geese Feather Pillows, brown \$2.25 Geese Feather Pillows, brown and ian stripe, size \$1.70

# Carpet Clearance

85c quality Smith's Hotel 77c
11.00 quality Brussels at 5ce
11.10 Windsor Brussels \$1.05
Will not fade, yard \$1.05
Prosale Velvets, best wool \$1.35
Velvet, at yard \$1.35
11.15 Royal Axminsters, fine patterns, yard \$1.44
12.10 Bigelow Axminsters, \$1.44
12.10 Bigelow Axminsters, \$1.89

#### Lace Specials

40-inch flowered Chiffons, beautiful designs for waists and trimming purposes—values up to \$1.75 a yard, are being \$89c\$
Black, white and cream Medallions, Bands, Appliques and Net Top Laces—four great special lots—values up to \$6c yard— 19c\$
Venise Appliques and Net Top Laces in handsome styles—values up to \$1.00 a yard—are on sale at the very low price 39c

All Spangled Robes marked at exceptionally low prices. All Embrideries, Laces and Dress Trimmings at Clearance Prices.
Entire stock of fine Laces and Em-Entire stock of fine Laces and Em-proideries at exceptionally low Buttons and Ruchings at low Clearance prices. Braids at Clearance prices.

#### Rugs, Mattings

%-inch extension Rods, 54 .....9c Roller-bearing Carpet Sweepers, great value .... \$1.67 Linen Warp Japanese Matting, in stripes, great special lic .....llc Extra heavy Reversible Mat-ting, fancy colorings, yard... 15c yard 190 Sx12 Body Brussels Rugs, in the very best designs and colorings, value extra-ordinary 527.00 9x12 Empire Brussels Rugs, new designs, great