

JURY IS LOCKED UP

Unable to Agree in Trial of Rumelin Case.

MISTRIAL IS INDICATED

Several Witnesses Appear for State at Last Day of Trial, and Rumelin Gives Testimony in His Own Behalf.

At 6 o'clock last night, after deliberating for six hours, the jury in the Rumelin bribery case announced that it could not agree and was locked up for the night.

This presages a disagreement which cannot be satisfactorily adjusted on the basis of either acquittal or conviction, and there seems but little doubt that the famous case will end in a mistrial.

When bottled down, the action of the State vs. Charles E. Rumelin resolves itself into a question of credibility between the counselman and William C. Elliott, also under indictment for alleged abuse of his authority as City Engineer.

Elliott is the prosecuting witness, and he avers that Rumelin offered him a large sum of money to report adversely on a certain bid for the construction of the front-street bridge over Morrison gulch. Rumelin enters a general denial of the charge, and for several days last past the merits of the controversy have been debated in Judge Seay's court.

The witnesses who testified yesterday morning were Captain Charles Wanzor, present City Engineer, and Sidney Smyth, a contractor, who gave testimony concerning the cost of the front-street bridge. Whittney L. Bole, of the Executive Board, who appeared to say that Mr. Rumelin had never offered him a bribe, and W. S. Lotan, a bank clerk, whose testimony concerned a certificate of deposit which has figured in the case in connection with the bid of the Pacific Construction Company, known as the Maney bid.

Rumelin a Witness.

Following these came Charles E. Rumelin, the defendant, who told a story denying all connection with bribery in general and this particular instance of corruption.

The testimony of these witnesses occupied much of the morning session, and after they had spoken the arguments were opened by Deputy District Attorney Bert E. Maney for the state, and James Gleason for the defense.

In the afternoon E. S. Wood for the defense and District Attorney John Manning for the prosecution addressed the jury at some length, and after a comprehensive charge by the court, the case was given into the jury's hands at 4 o'clock.

During the progress of the trial the state has sought to prove that there was crookedness in connection with the withdrawal of the bid made by the Pacific Construction Company, of Everett, Wash., for the building of the front-street bridge. This bid was made through its agent, Maney, and in an unusual manner he was induced to withdraw it in favor of a San Francisco construction company, which agreed to do the work for \$5000 more than the Washington concern.

The Alleged Attempt to Bribe.

It is alleged that Maney indicated that he would rather withdraw the bid, let his competitors have the contract than build the bridge at a loss, and in this connection it is charged that Rumelin arranged to distribute the \$5000 difference between the two bids where it would do the most good.

The testimony goes to show that the bid of Maney was withdrawn and the \$5000 returned to Maney or his representatives, and in connection with this detail of the integrity of the Executive Board and Mr. Rumelin is attacked. It appears that the City & Suburban Railway Company was interested in seeing that Maney withdrew from the bidding, and in this state asserts a motive for Rumelin's alleged action in offering to bribe William C. Elliott. Both Elliott and his deputy, George Scoggin, testified that Rumelin was active in trying to have the Maney bid withdrawn and assert that he visited Elliott's office at numerous times on the morning of June 25 last, when the alleged bribery is supposed to have occurred.

Elliott testified that at last Rumelin found the two of them and proposed that they walk down Fifth street for a little talk. At Morrison and Fifth streets he avers that Rumelin told them there was \$5000 in it if Maney could be eliminated and that the Engineer's office would get a share of the money.

The defendant strges in opposition to these charges that they are wholly false and prompted by animosity.

ASKS DRINKING FOUNTAINS

Federation Petitions Council to Provide Them for Visitors.

The Portland Federation of Women's Clubs, at its last meeting, took action relative to providing drinking fountains or hydrants on Washington and Morrison streets, and also near the entrance to the Lewis and Clark Fair. There will be many thousands of people, men, women and children, on the streets of Portland while the Fair is in progress, and the Federation considers that some provisions should be made so they can find places where they can get a drink of water.

In order to bring the matter to the attention of the Council, the following resolution was passed, and was yesterday forwarded to the Mayor by the corresponding secretary:

To the Mayor and Honorable Common Council—Gentlemen: At the regular meeting of the Portland Federation of Women's Clubs, held at the home of Mrs. L. Samual, Thursday, May 18, the following resolution was passed:

"Resolved, That the City Federation, through its president, request the City Council to erect a number of drinking fountains on Morrison and Washington streets, also near the entrance to the Lewis and Clark Fair."

The Federation represents that these drinking fountains are very necessary, especially for the children, in view of the coming large attendance at the Fair, and may be provided at small expense.

ST. JOHNS VOTES BONDS

Large Majority for the Proposition on the Ballot.

At the special election held in St. Johns yesterday the present city administration was authorized to issue \$10,000 in municipal bonds for public utilities, by a vote of 23 for to 23 against.

In the advisory vote on the question of licensing saloons in St. Johns the vote was 161 against licensing to 105 in favor.

On the question of prohibiting stock from running at large the vote was 142 in favor of prohibiting to 106 against interfering with them.

The bonds to be issued under the vote yesterday follow:

Grounds and city hall, 222; fire apparatus, \$1700; public dock, \$900; borrowed

money of A. L. Miner, \$435. In the ballot used all four propositions were lumped together, so that the voter cast his vote for or against the whole \$10,000. The amount of bonds to be issued was not stated on the ballot. It reads, "If you favor the issuing of bonds for public buildings, a public dock, fire apparatus and paying public indebtedness, as more specially stated in the published call," etc. It had been understood that the four propositions would be voted for separately, but this plan was changed and all four were voted together.

Mayor W. H. King did not hesitate to express his satisfaction that the bonds had carried by such an overwhelming majority. He said that steps would be taken at once to float the bonds. They are to be voted in the next few days, but at 6 per cent interest. It is thought that they may be sold for a lower rate of interest than 6 per cent.

TO SUCCEED WORTHINGTON

E. E. Buckingham, of Salt Lake, May Be the Man.

From the rumors now current, it is possible that E. E. Buckingham, general manager of the Oregon Short Line at Salt Lake City, will be the man selected to fill the place to be left vacant by General Manager Worthington after the first of June.

It was thought for some time after E. E. Calvin was transferred to San Francisco that Mr. Buckingham would be sent to Portland, but the appointment was not made. Mr. Buckingham, before being sent to Salt Lake City, was superintendent of the transportation department of the Union Pacific at Omaha. He was sent to Salt Lake to the general management of the Short Lines when Mr. Calvin was sent from that place to Portland.

The fact that the Salt Lake general manager has been called to New York just at this time to consult with E. H. Harriman gives color to the former rumor that he is to be sent to Portland. Mr. Buckingham is a man who has had many years of experience in various railroad departments, and would come to Portland equipped with Western experience for the place here.

Nothing more has been learned as to the future movements of Mr. Worthington. No statement can be secured as to what position he will take after June 1, but the Western Pacific rumor is still the dominant one. It is not thought that any announcement will be made either by him or by Mr. Harriman as to his successor much before the time for the change.

EFFECT OF THE NEW RATES

It Will Be Beneficial to Portland, Seattle and Tacoma.

The new schedule of freight rates recently adopted by the different railroads operating in the Northwest as the result of the agitation raised by the North Pacific Coast Jobbers' and Manufacturers' Association has been issued and is now in the hands of the shippers of the interested sections. The new schedule will become effective on June 1, and will be of great advantage to the shippers of Portland, Tacoma and Seattle, though the good results from the recent meeting will not be as great as was at first hoped.

The changes made will affect the trade of the Northwest to a certain degree, as it will cheapen the cost of distribution from Portland, Seattle and Tacoma on a good many things shipped from these points to the interior.

The new rates, it is thought, will not be the last changes made, for the railroads are now at work equalizing their tariffs in many ways, partly on account of the increase of powers which will, in all probability, be given to the Interstate Commerce Commission, and also the unknown action of the Washington Railroad Commission. The commodity tariff list has been much shortened, and the articles taken from the list have been put in among the classified articles, many of them at a slight advance, owing to their classification. On the whole, however, the new schedule is much better for the Coast shippers than the one now in effect, and they express satisfaction at the change about to be made.

ADDITION TO SCHOOLHOUSE

St. Johns Taxpayers Will Consider Ways and Means Tomorrow.

Directors of the St. Johns district have called a special meeting of the taxpayers at the schoolhouse for tomorrow evening to consider the question of ways and means for the erection of an addition to the present building. With the six rooms in the main building and the two outside rooms, the school now occupies eight rooms.

By some it is urged that a 12-room schoolhouse is needed, and will only meet the needs of the district for two years. There is now an attendance of more than 300 pupils, an increase of 100 per cent in a year. Last year a two-room addition to the main building has been built, besides this year the directors found it necessary to erect two rooms on the school grounds in order to house the overflow from the main building.

Police and Fire Parade.

Great preparation is being made for the parade of the Police and Fire Departments, which will take place next Saturday unless it rains. It is to be the first annual event, and both forces are to be inspected by Mayor Williams, in front of the City Hall, after the match. The parade will form at 11 A. M., the Police Department forming at Sixth and Salmon and the Fire Department at the same place, to the left of the mounted policemen. The line of march follows:

North on Sixth street to Burnside, east on Burnside to Fourth, south on Fourth to Jefferson, east on Jefferson to Third, north on Third to Taylor, west on Taylor to Fourth, south on Fourth to City Hall. The police will form in line for inspection by the Mayor. After the inspection the police will march west on Jefferson, to Sixth, north on Sixth to Stark, east on Stark to Third, north on Third to Oak, east on Oak to police headquarters, where they will be dismissed. The Fire Department will then form in line in front of the City Hall for inspection by the Mayor.

St. Vincent's, Not Samaritan.

St. Vincent's Hospital will care for sick girls sent by the Travelers' Aid Society, and not Samaritan Hospital, as previously stated.

SALE TODAY.

Graduating materials, in soft wool fabrics, India silks, corded, India linens and wash materials. McAllen & McDonnell. The store noted for best goods at lowest prices.

LIST YOUR ROOMS.

Before listing, see McAllen & McDonnell for curtains, awnings, pillows, bed coverings and draperies.

CARD OF THANKS.

The husbands and brothers and sisters of Mrs. J. H. Carter extend their sincere thanks to Linnæa Society and all friends for the courtesy shown them in the loss of a beloved friend.

Those who wish to practice economy should buy Carter's Little Liver Pills. Forty pills in a vial; only one pill a dose.

Harris Trunk Co. for trunks and bags.

The Meier & Frank Store

3000 Umbrellas, in All Grades, at Very Special Prices

Men's and women's Umbrellas at saving prices today and tomorrow—3000 of them in all grades and best style handles—Days like yesterday emphasize the necessity of always having a good Umbrella or two in Oregon

\$2.00 Umbrellas \$1.29

Special lot of 200 Women's Umbrellas, Union Taffeta covering, 26-inch size; made with strong Paragon frame, sterling silver, pearl and natural wood handles, in great variety, the best \$2.00 values, on sale for, each, **\$1.29**

Women's Gloria Silk Umbrellas, Taffeta Silk case, Paragon frame, immense variety of handles in sterling silver, oxidized and gold; regular \$2.50 values, on sale for, each, **\$1.78**

500 Men's Umbrellas, good covering, Paragon frame, steel rod, big line of desirable handles, at ea. **.83c**

Men's Umbrellas with Mercerized Twill covering, steel rod, Paragon frame; a good \$1.50 Umbrella, on sale for today and tomorrow at **\$1.05**

Men's Umbrellas with Gloria Silk covering and Paragon frame; great special value at **\$1.29**

Men's \$2.00 Umbrellas, Twilled Gloria Silk covering, big variety of handles, each **\$1.69**

Men's \$2.50 Gloria Silk-covered Umbrellas, each **\$2.19**

Lewis and Clark Souvenir Flags

1000 unmounted Silk "Lewis and Clark" Flags, handsome souvenir to send to your friends—

Size 8x12 inches, 20c value, for, each **.14c**
 Size 12x18 inches, 35c value, for, each **.27c**
 Size 24x36 inches, \$1.25 value, for, each **.99c**

Official Lewis and Clark Flags, in wool, all sizes U. S. Flags; Flags of all nations in wool, silk or muslin; all sizes; very lowest prices.

\$3 Corsets for \$1.97 Pair

Special lot of Women's White Corsets, bias, straight-front and hose-supporters side and front; long, tapering waist; Corsets of the best model; all sizes; regular \$2.75 and \$3.00 values, for, pair **\$1.97**

50 dozen White Petticoats, trimmed in embroidery edging, insertion and tucks; separate dust ruffles; big variety to select from; regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 values, on sale for **.98c**

Sole Portland agents for La Grecque Corsets.

Accordion Pleated Skirts \$7.50 Ea.

100 of the popular "Dixie" accordion-pleated Walking Skirts, made of black, navy, brown, red, tan and white Cashmere; full accordion plaiting, deep shirred yoke, well made throughout; the best Skirt value we have offered this season; careful investigation will prove them far superior in every way to any similar style Skirts being offered around town. Mail orders will be filled.

75c Embroideries 39c Yard

2000 yards of Swiss and Nainsook Embroideries, 5 to 10 inches wide; daintiest designs; big variety; values up to 75c a yard, on sale for, yard **39c**

Valenciennes Laces and Insertions, ½ to 1½ inches wide; best patterns; values up to 80c dozen yards; your choice **49c** during this sale at, dozen yards

Dotted and Figured Nets Low Priced

45-inch dotted and figured Nets in white, cream and ecru; beautiful styles in great variety; wonderful values at—

75c values for 49c yard **85c values for 59c yard**

1.50 vals. for \$1.12 yard **\$2.50 vals. for \$1.79 yard**

Women's \$5 Shoes \$3.65 Pr.

Women's patent leather and vici kid Shoes, French heel, turn soles, Shoes of the highest grade in all sizes; regular \$5.00 values, on sale at, pair **\$3.65**

Women's vici kid Lace Shoes, French and Cuban heel, welt soles, all sizes, best \$5 values, pr. **\$3.65**

Women's Oxfords **\$2.35**

Broken lines of Women's Low Shoes in patent leather and vici kid, French heels, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4 values, at, pair **\$2.35**

400 pairs of Children's fancy Shoes, many styles and colors; sizes 2 to 8, lace and button; regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 values, on sale at the very low price of, pair **92c**

400 pairs of Children's Shoes, in kid, patent and box calf, sizes 8½ to 11, \$1.50 and \$2 values, for, pair **\$1.12**

400 pairs of Misses' Shoes, kid and box calf, regular \$2.00 and \$2.50 values, in all sizes at, pair **\$1.32**

Notions and Small Wares Sale

Fancy frilled-edge Garter Elastic for yard **11c**
 Flat Darners, each **5c**
 Laundry Wax, 3 pieces **5c**
 Hook-on Silk Elastic Hose Supporters, for pair **19c**
 Robert's gold-eyed Needles, book, sale price **19c**
 4c Combination Needle Book, for sale price **63c**
 45c Accordion Plaiters, each **50c**
 Gibson Adjustable Sifts, Nos. 2, 3, 4, pair **50c, 60c, 70c**
 Double-covered Silk Shields, No. 2 and 4, pair **15c and 21c**

Perfume-brush Holder Pins **2c**
 Asbestos Iron Holders, each **3c**
 60-in Tape Measures, each **3c**
 Globe Pin Books, each **2c**
 Black and white Toilet Belt Pins, great value **3c**
 Good, strong Pins, sheet **1c**
 Tracing Wheels, each **3c**
 Card assorted Safety Pins **3c**
 Package assorted Wire Hair Pins, great value **3c**
 Cube Toilet Pins, all colors **5c**
 No. 4 Stocking Needles, each **2c**
 No. 2 Stockinet Shields, pair **3c**

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Portland's Largest and Best Store
 Custom Shade and Drapery Work Our Specialty—Best Materials Used—Lowest Prices
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The buying advantages offered are so many that no woman does justice to herself if she purchases elsewhere before at least looking here—We present the greatest stocks, the leading styles, and the best values for your choosing—This is, in every sense of the word, Portland's leading cloak and suit house. These special values are worth investigating:

\$46.00 Tailored Suits \$34.25

Our highest grade Tailored Suits for Women are on sale at an exceptionally low price. Serges, Panama Cloths, Voiles, Shepherd Worsteds and Broadcloths, in blouse, Eton and jacket styles, flounce or plaited skirts, in navy, red, green, brown, tan, black and checks; beautifully made and trimmed; fancy and plain tailored creations; this season's richest Suits; regular \$44 and \$46 values for, **\$34.25**

Handsome Silk Waists \$3.98 Each

Three great odd lots of Women's Silk Waists, Taffetas and Crepe de Chines in fancy and tailor-made effects, light and dark colorings, plaids, plain colors, blacks, lace and tucks trimming; Waists for street, dress and evening wear; values up to \$11.00, on sale for the **\$3.98** low price of

\$10.00 Silk Petticoats \$6.45 Each

100 beautiful Silk Petticoats in all the leading colors, blacks and plaids; made with deep plaiting, ruffles and tucked effects, well made, of superior quality Taffeta Silk; regular \$10.00 values, on sale for, each **\$6.45**

35c and 45c Ribbons at 21c a Yard

The greatest ribbon value of the year—Thousands of yards of all pure silk ribbons in taffetas, mousselines, and fancy silk-warp Dresdens—Ribbons for belts, girdles, neckwear and millinery purposes—Black, white and an immense variety of colors

and styles—Ribbons that would be cheap at 35c, 40c and 45c a yard—Your choice of the entire lot at 21c the special low price of, yard

400 pieces of all-pure-silk Taffeta and Satin Taffeta Ribbons, 3 and 4 inches wide, 25 colors; the grade that sells for 25c a yard you can buy today for, **14c**

1000 Belts 9c Each

1000 Women's Belts, many styles, shirred Silk, Velvet Belts, Washable Belts, White Pique Belts, Gift and Nickel buckles; values up to 35c; choice, ea. **9c**

\$1.00 Silks 79c Yard \$1.25 Silks 89c Yard

Lot 1—1500 yards of fancy Silk Shirtwaist Suit Silks in a big assortment of styles; stripes, figures and checks, in all the best color combinations; Silks we've sold thousands of yards of at \$1.00 a yard; your choice at the extraordinary low special price price of, yd. **79c**

Lot 2—1500 yards of high-grade Shirtwaist Suit Silks, of fine quality; checks, figures and stripes in a great assortment; best colorings; worth up to \$1.25 a yard; on sale for the low price of, yard **89c**

All-wool checked Voiles, very pretty, serviceable material for Summer dresses, waists, skirts, etc.; large variety to select from; best \$1.00 values, at, yard **79c**

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Particular attention is called to our showing of, inexpensive Rugs for room-houses. Third Floor.

New 50c Wash Goods at 37c Yard

50c silk-finish Canton Crepe in plain colors, all leading shades; one of our prettiest sheer materials; best 50c value, on sale at the low price of, yard **37c**

40c fancy white Mercerized Waistsings, our complete line in Voiles, Madras, Oxfords, etc., on sale for a few days only at this low price, yard **30c**

40 styles of cotton Shirtwaist Suitings, Crash, Voiles, Bamboo-line, Norwegian weaves, etc.; all new, desirable materials, great values at this price, yard **19c**

Striped Madras Curtains \$1.15 Pair

Great special purchase of 500 pairs of cross-stripe Madras Curtains; 9 styles to select from; all desirable colorings; size 40 in. wide, 3 yards long; Curtains worth \$2.00 a pair every day in the week; your choice, pair **\$1.15**

5000 Brass Extension Rods, extend to 54 in., silver ends, our best 15c values, for, each **9c**

36-in. figured Sateen and Mommie Cloth, makes the best covering for comforters, 20c value, yard **14c**

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Carpets, Rugs, Mattings, Linoleum, Beds, Bedding, Springs, Mattresses, Pillows, etc., at the lowest prices. Third Floor.

Fireproof Burlap for Exposition work; red and green in any quantity.

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Great odd lot of Framed Pictures; many subjects and sizes; values from 45c to \$1.25 each; choice, each **25c**

Great odd lot of Framed Pictures in large sizes, 16x23 inches; wonderful values at the very low price of, **1.30**

Colored Medallions on wood, size 1x2 inches; regular \$1.50 values, on sale for this low price, each **7c**

Colored "Ballet" and "Mountain" Girls, mounted on red and green mounts, 16x18 inches; great special values, each **11c**

Picture Framing at the very lowest prices. Second floor.

Cut Glass Specials

Cut Glass Bowls, fancy cut, best \$5.00 values, each **\$3.98**

4.50 Nappies, 8-inch, for, **\$3.00**

6-inch handled Napkins, 12.00 values, on sale for, **\$1.98**

16-inch Cut Glass Vases, 10x18 inches, regular \$7.00 values, for, **\$5.69**

Beautiful Cut Glass Row Bowls, large size, 13 value **\$7.28**

When in the basement, don't fail to see our immense line of Solid Silver Souvenir Spoons, in many styles and sizes.

Salt and Pepper Shakers **13c**

Silverware Sale

4-piece silver-plated Tea Sets, 12.00 values, for, **\$9.89**

Silver-plated Candlesticks for, only **\$1.47**

4-piece silver-plated Coffee Set, regular \$12 values, for, **\$9.78**

Silver-plated Breadtrays, 98c Rogers' 1847 Beef Forks, **49c**

Gold Bowl Berry Spoons, for, only **\$1.37**

35 Bohemian Glass Dishes, for, **\$5.97**

Fancy pattern Pie Servers, **11c**

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