

ATTEMPT TO KILL
WOMAN IS FOILED

Engineer Stops His Train Just
in Time to Prevent Das-
tardly Crime.

LIKE A PAGE FROM FICTION

Unknown Man Beats Feminine Com-
panion, Throws Her on Track in
Front of Flying Locomotive.
Affair Is Mysterious.

E. B. Stoner, veteran engineer on the
Astoria & Columbia River line, defeated
a dastardly attempt at murder at 12:10
o'clock yesterday afternoon by stopping
his locomotive just as the pilot was
within a few feet of a well-dressed
woman, who had been hurled on the
track ahead of the Astoria passenger
train by a male companion. The identity
of the would-be murderer and his intended
victim remains a mystery, in the face
of persistent inquiry by police detectives.

DROPS DEAD ON STREET

Mrs. Mary S. Collier Prominent in
Irish Organization.

Mrs. Mary S. Collier, widow of
Jeremiah Collier, and well known
throughout the state, dropped dead near
Clay and Chapman streets at 5:30 o'clock
yesterday afternoon. Death is supposed
to have been caused by hemorrhage. Dr.
A. E. Rocky performed an autopsy on
the body last night. Mrs. Collier was
47 years old, and leaves a baby girl,
Fran, 2 years of age.

Amusements

When Knighthood Was in Flower.
The last two opportunities to see Baker
Stock Company in the beautiful romantic
play, "When Knighthood Was in Flower,"
at the Bungalow, will be this afternoon
and tonight. At tonight's performance
Baker announces that the latest returns
from the local primary election will be
read between the acts.

Lyric Matinee Today.
There's a matinee at the Lyric today,
when the bill will be "At the Old Cross-
roads," the famous play of life in the
South, which has made thousands laugh and
weep in all parts of the country. Special
attention given to the children; special
line in the play they should not hear
last time tonight.

AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS.
Closing Performances at Orpheum.
The programme for the present week at
the Orpheum closes with the Sunday evening
performance and if you have not availed
yourself of the opportunity of seeing it do
not delay in securing reservations, for the
bill is playing to capacity houses nightly.
Marshall P. Wilder, the noted author, lec-
turer and humorist, is one of the several
hits, and there are other corking good acts.

Pantages Next Week.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Lucas, who are
making their first American tour on the
Pantages circuit will be seen here next
week at the Pantages Theater in a series
of impersonations from "Charles Dickens"
famous books. Two scenes from "Martin
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Grand Attractions.
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COMING ATTRACTIONS.
"Merely Mary Ann" Tomorrow.
"Merely Mary Ann" will open at the
Bungalow tomorrow afternoon for the week,
and it is a play that gives nearly every
member of Baker Stock Company an ex-
cellent chance for strong acting parts. Miss
Jewel will play the title role originated by
Eleanor Robson, and Sydney Ayres that of
Lancelot, the composer, in which Edwin
Arden made his greatest hit in New York.

Bladder-La Velle Trio-Orpheum.
The Bladder-La Velle Trio of cycle riders
are experts in their line, and they make it
their boast that there is not a trick in
the cycle riding that they cannot duplicate.
If not improve upon. This trio are known as
"the Dare-Devil" riders, and they have
science which is the product of much prac-
tice and a great amount of nerve.

An Artistic Triumph.
A spectacular and picturesque act is that
presented by Marie Lecca Brackman, at the
Pantages Theater this week "The Gains-
boro Girl" is a scenic triumph in four
parts. "The Duchess of Devonshire," "Mar-
guerite's Gardens," "The Eternal City," and
the grand finale, "A Heavenly Vision."

WE HAVE MOVED
To 144-146 Fourth, opposite Honeyman
Hardware Co. We have no connection
with any other stores. Goodyear Shoe
Company.

BOCK, BOCK TODAY.
The last car of Pabst's Milwaukee
draught beer for this season will
arrive this morning. S. A. Arata & Co.,
Arata Bros.

Oiling of Road to Be Discussed.
At a meeting of the South End Im-
provement Club, to be held Monday night
at 8 o'clock in Webster's Hall at Fulton,
the proposition of oiling the White House
road from the intersection of Kelly
street and Macadam road to the old
White House, will be discussed. At this
meeting it will be determined whether

NOT DRUGS
Food did it.
After using laxative and cathartic
medicines from childhood a case of
chronic and apparently incurable con-
stipation yielded to the scientific food,
Grape-Nuts, in a few days.
"From early childhood I suffered with
such terrible constipation that I had to
use laxatives continuously going from
one drug to another and suffering
more or less all the time.
"A prominent physician whom I con-
sulted told me the muscles of the
digestive organs were partially paral-
yzed and could not perform their work
without help of some kind, so I have
tried different times about every
laxative and cathartic known, but
found no help that was at all perma-
nent. I had finally become discouraged
and had given my case up as hopeless
when I began to use the pre-digested
food, Grape-Nuts.
"Although I had not expected this
food to help my trouble, to my great
surprise Grape-Nuts digested immedi-
ately from the first and in a few days
I was convinced that this was just
what my system needed.
"The bowels performed their func-
tions regularly and I am now com-
pletely and permanently cured of this
awful trouble.
"Truly the power of scientific food
must be unlimited." "There's a Reason."
Read "The Road to Wellville," in
pkgs.
Ever read the above letter? A new
one appears from time to time. They
are genuine, true and full of human
interest.

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this (Saturday) afternoon. This one is
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and though differing in details and color-
ing from the new O. R. & N. trains, is
also superbly equipped. The public cor-
dially invited.
Ockley Green Defeats Vernon.
The first game of the finals in the Gram-

complementary dinner at the Commercial
Club, tendered by the members of the
Portland Implement Dealers' Associa-
tion.
Mr. Darrow has been local manager for
the John Deere Plow Company for nine
years, previous to that representing the
Moline Plow Company at Omaha. Mr.
Darrow has been vice-president of the
Chamber of Commerce and is a past
trustee of the Commercial Club. He
leaves Portland to take up the manage-
ment of the Whitman Agricultural Works
at St. Louis.
Those at the dinner were: H. W.
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MAY KEEP SERVICE DOWN

Unimproved Streets Drawback to
Postoffice Extensions.
The fact that street and sidewalk
improvements have not kept pace with
the growth of Portland in the outlying
districts may militate against securing
additional carrier service, says Post-
master Young.

Conditions in some of the Portland
additions have been called to the at-
tention of the Postoffice in connection
with his application for more carriers,
and it is pointed out that the depart-
ment has a hard and fast rule that
carrier service will not be extended
along unimproved streets.

This drawback to the increase of the
service is found in Mount Park, Mont-
evista, University Park, Highland,
Woodlawn and Portland Heights.
H. B. Hall and A. H. Baldwin, repre-
sentatives from the Postoffice Depart-
ment, who have been in Portland in
vestigating the need for additional fac-
ilities and more employes, completed
their work yesterday. While their re-
port will be made direct to the depart-
ment, Postmaster Young is confident
that the outcome will be the installing
of the mailing division in a new loca-
tion near the Grand Central station
quarters at least 60x100 feet in dimen-
sions.

Outside the realms of colored fiction
and sensational melodrama, the experi-
ence of Stoner is without a parallel in
the local police records. Those who saw
the affair say the man was in desperate
earnest in his attempts to kill the
woman. He hurled her before the
swiftly-moving train, endeavoring her on
the head with a beer bottle that was
crawled off the track the first time. So
intent was the fellow on his fateful pur-
pose that he did not spring back from
the danger zone until the oncoming lo-
comotive was less than 20 feet away. The
woman was prostrate and dazed and
would have been crushed had it not been
except that the engineer set the emer-
gency brakes. Six feet is the space by
which her life was spared.

The strange attempt on the woman's
life occurred just inside the city's north-
ern limits, at a point on the railway a
mile below the North Pacific Mills. En-
gineer Stoner was bringing passenger
No. 29 in from Astoria and was running
about 40 miles an hour, being three min-
utes late.

He discovered the man and woman
when they were 300 yards ahead. They
were standing beside the track, evidently
to await the passing of the train. There
was no evidence that they were quarrel-
ing. A big brown paper bag was stand-
ing on the track in front of them, and
as the train drew nearer, Stoner saw the
woman step onto the track, seize the
dog by the collar and pull it out of the
way.

This seemed to supply her male com-
panion with the inspiration for murder,
for in a flash he seized her about the
waist and threw her bodily across the
rails. She lay an instant, and then
crawled to one side. The fellow seized
her again, but the woman fought des-
perately. Stoner saw the ruffian strike
her with a beer bottle he was carrying,
but she continued struggling.

Realizing that quick action was re-
quired of him, Stoner put on the emer-
gency brakes. As he approached he
started at the fellow to descend, but the
woman's assailant did not jump from
the track until he thought himself in
danger of being run down. Evidently
he did not think the train could be
stopped in time to save his victim.

When he saw that his plan had
failed, the fellow attempted to have
a disregard of consequences and to
board the train, but Stoner lost no
time in getting under way, and left him
behind. Looking back later, he saw
the man walking towards the city be-
hind the train, with the woman stand-
ing at the foot of the roadbed, looking
after him.

Detectives Coleman and Price, who
were given charge of the case, immedi-
ately upon a report being made to the
police, were at the scene before 1
o'clock. They thought at first the trou-
ble had been between snow-dwellers,
who are numerous in the vicinity. But
Stoner's description of the couple did
not agree with that theory. He said
the woman wore a new Spring suit,
evidently of expensive pattern. She
was about 35 years old, and had a
"flashy" appearance, he said. The man
was about the same age, and wore a
neat black suit, with a light fedora
hat. A detailed description of the pair
could not be obtained.

All knowledge of the mysterious cou-
ple's identity was denied by snow-
dwellers. Several said they saw them
leave the place together, walking to-
wards the city, seemingly quite recon-
ciled. The woman's forehead was
smeared with red, they said, doubtless
from wounds inflicted with the liquor
bottle. The man, too, was bleeding
about the face, possibly from having
been scratched in the struggle with the
woman.

Might Recognize Couple.
"I believe I would know them again
if I saw them," said Mr. Stoner. "I did
not look them over with great care,
but they impressed me as of the North
End variety. I noticed that the woman
was very dark and looked like Portu-
guese."
"There is no doubt about the man's
purpose, the engineer added. "He
fought hard to have the woman run
down by the train, and his plan would
have worked had we not stopped when
we did. It is the most unusual experi-
ence I have ever had. Those two peo-
ple acted as if they were merely wait-
ing quietly for the train to pass, and
the woman pulled the dog off the track.
Then the man was on her like a demon.
She fought hard, but was no match for
him, especially when he was beating
her over the head with a heavy beer
bottle."

To bid farewell to R. L. Darrow, a
large number of implement dealers and
representatives gathered last night at a

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ITS GREAT SUCCESS
DUE TO AN IDEA

It's the Idea back of Columbia Beach that is making it such an unprecedented
success—not the mere fact that a happy combination of natural circumstances
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west can find quiet, recreation, rest and health—not only during the warm
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and fill the great demand that exists for a resort of this character.

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ed in improvements on hotel, bathing pavilion, athletic field that is influencing
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records for the phonographs and many other
novel and original specialties.

Will Revive Famous Play.
Next week, beginning with Sunday morn-
ing, the Lyric Stock Company will be seen
in "Ten Nights in a Barroom," the great
temperance play, which every child and
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only partially. It is expected the ex-
pense for this work can be considerably
reduced by hauling the oil out on the
electric carline. All residents of the dis-
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