Steamer, Aymeric From Orient, Brings in News of Sighting Boat.

FEAR FELT FOR ST. DENIS

British Steamer, Which Left Victoria November C1, Is Long Overdue. Voyage Usually Requires Only 14 or 15 Days at Most.

VICTORIA. B. C., Dec. 21.-The steamer Aymerio, from the Orient, passed a ship's boat, bottom-up, on Thursday last in 49.44 north, 156.24 west. It was a clinker-built wood boat, the It was a clinker-built wood boat, the paint mostly washed off, the sides stove in and the stern submerged. More wreckage, too far away to be identified, was passed the following day. Some alarm is being felt here for the safety of the British steamer St. Denis, which left Victoria on November 21, bound to Salina Crus via Los Angeles, and is much overshow.

The voyage usually occupies 14 or 15 days. The St. Denis is in command of Captain Davis, and was loaded full with coal. She was being taken to Salina Cruz to enter service between Salina Cruz and Acajutia, after completing a time charter in the British Columbia coasting service.

The officers of the steamer St. Dents were: Master, Thomas D. Davis; first mate, J. C. Gould; ascond mate, F. Weightou; chief steward, A. C. Dupeck; chief engineer, William Dodds; recond en-gineer, Archibald Street; third engineer, 19t Hunter; cook, Fred Motley; amistant, George Ivanson; Captain Muhall and purser, W. Teeling.

ST. DENIS STEEL-SCREW BOAT

Belief Expressed That Steamship Foundered Off Flattery.

Foundered Off Flattery.

SEATTLE Wash, Dec. 21.—But for the fact that a ship's boat was among the wreckage sighted by the Aymeric last Thursday, shipping men would be inclined to believe that the wreckage was from some of the numerous hulks strewn along that cemetery of ships, the Vancouver Island coast and it had been carried out to sea by the recent sterms. The Indians do not let any small boats stay on the beach long.

This week Indians stole all but one of the boats of the stranded steamship Olympia on Bligh Island reef. Alaska, and were taking the last boat when the four men who were standing by the ship, and whose safety depended on a boat, drove the locters away. If the wreckage sighted by the Aymeric is from the St. Denis, then that steamelip must have foundered soon after leaving Cape Flattery and the wood of the northwest by the storm.

The St. Denis was a steel screw steamer of 518 gross tons, 161 feet long, 25 wide and 12.7 deep. She was built at Sunderland, England, and was ewned by the Mexican Land & Colonization Company.

The large quantity of lumber that

mination Company.

The large quantity of lumber that has recently come ashore near Clay-oquot, Vancouver Island, has not been identified but is probably part of the deckload of lumber carried.

CREW MAY HAVE PERISHED

Violent Gale Off Cape Flattery Thought Fatal to Smack.

SEATTLE Wash. Dec. 21.—The wrecked finding smack passed by the steamer E. L. Drake off Cape Flattery has not been identified, but probably all her crew perished in the violent gale early last week.

The ocean is now as calm as a mill

The ocean is now as calm as a mill pond, and it is expected that the lifesaving boat Snohomish will bring in the wreck. Until the wreck is identi-fied there will be great distress among friends and relatives of all the Flat-tery fishermen who are out.

SHIP MISSING IN BLIZZARD

Last Week's Storm on Atlantic Coast May Be Disastrous.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 21.—Another clim of last Thursday's bliggard is believed to be the Bangor schooper believed to be the Bangor schooler.

Marcus Edwards, with a crew of five men, which was lust seen off Chatham shortening sail in the heavy storm.

The missing schooler sailed from Provincatown December 18, on her way from New York to Bar Harbor. She is

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Dec. 21. -Barge No. 12, of the Consolidated Coal Company, which brake away from the tag Cumberland off Nausett, on Cape Cod, in Friday's bilzzard, has been Cape Cod, in Friday's blizzard, has been given up as lost, with its captain, James Adams, and his four men. Accepting the belief that the barge foundered with all on board, the cost company has at last ended its efforts to locate No. 12. Two of the company's tugs cruised to the south of Nantucket Island and in the vicinity of Georges Banks, covering a radius of hearly 208 miles, in an endeavor to find the missing barge, but without refind the missing barge, but without re-

Schooner Stranded on Shoals.

MOREHEAD CITY, N. C., Dec. 21.-A large four-masted schooper is stranded on the west side of Cape Lookout shoals, about five miles out of Point Beach, and the heavy-running fide and strong wind are driving the vessel further on the

Disabled Vessel Taken in Tow.

LAS PALMAS, Canary Islands, Dec. 21.—The Irma Wostmann, of the Wost-mann Steamship Line, which went out Monday to assist her sister ship, the Ingmiles off the coast, returned today with disabled vessel in tow.

YARDS WILL BE REDECKED

Astoria & Columbia Will Also Have Reserve Water Tank.

ASTORIA. Or. Dec. II.—(Special.)—
John McGuire, superintendent of the
Astoria & Columbia River Railroad, arrived here this afternoon with a party of
surveyors to prepare estimates of cost
and quantities of material needed to
redeck the depot yards. This work is
to be done during the Winter and in

addition, the company is preparing to erect a large water tank at the upper end of the yards to hold a reserve supply, to guard against a shortage in case of a break in the clie walls.

to guard against a shortage in case of a break in the city main.

It is learned that in the party with Mr. McGuire is a dredging engineer who is making investigations relative to the construction of the proposed buikhead or seawall for the purpose of reporting to the officers of the company regarding the cost of a structure that would support the railway track.

While nothing of an official nature could be learned in connection with his investigations, it is understood the railwood company will join the city in the erection of a buikhead in order that its

PIONEER DENTIST OF SILVER-TON, OR, DIES AFTER EXTENDED ILLNESS.



Dr. William Welch.

SILVERTON, Or. Dec. 21.—
(Special.)—Dr. William Welch, a ploneer dentist here, died at his home in this city this week, after an extended illness.

Dr. Welch was born in Clinton County, Iowa, in 1842. He crossed the plains by team in 1884, stopping at Hoise, where he was employed by the Government for a year, after which he returned to Iows. In 1863 he married Miss Sarah pritchard, and in 1873 they came to Oregon, by rail to San Francisco and by steamer to Portland. Thirty-two years ago they located at Silverton and Portland. Thirty-two years ago they located at Silverton and have since made this their home. To this union five children were born. The widow, one son. Dr. J. W. Welch, of Riddels, and one dangater, Mrs. Thomas Kennedy, of Woodburn, survive him.

The late Dr. John Welch, of Portland, was a brother of Mr. Welch who was well known throughout the state. Funeral services will be held in W. S. Jack's chapel, and burial made in the Silverton cemetory.

the Silverton cemetery.

property may be filled at the same time the balance of the work is done.

THUGS SHOW NO MERCY

CONFIDING OLD MAN ROBBED, THROWN FROM TRAIN.

Victim Tells Police Details of Crime on North Bank Road Near

Vancouver, Monday. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 21.-(Special.)-After robbing a man 70 years old on a North Bank train of \$60 in cash and valuable jewelry, two robbers

opened the vestibule and threw him

off of the fast-moving train, two miles

east of Vancouver, Monday night, ace to a story told to the police Bruised and bleeding, dazed from the terrible fall. Beals staggered into the police station two hours later and

asked assistance. A doctor dressed his Beals said he was traveling from Livingston, Montans, to Portland, and when in Pasco getting lunch, he chanced to meet two heavy-set men, who got on the train with him. They became "better acquainted" as they traveled further, and when a couple of miles east of Vancouver they induced him to go to the vestibule.

Getting him there, one gagged and held him while the other robbed him of \$50, a woman's gold watch, Waltham movement, and a long gold chain, benides his suitcase containing personal effects and clothes.

After getting his valuables, the robbers opened the vestibule and threw him from the train. Beals said he was traveling from

ming sail in the heavy storm.

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Which the robbers falled to get, and his ticket to Portland. him from the train.

> SLAYER MOCK CONVICTED Verdict of Murder in Second Degree

> > Follows Three Days' Trial.

MEDFORD. Or. Dec. 21.—(Special.)—
The trial of Julian A. Mock, the slayer of Jesse Smith at Medford last September, in a quarrel estensibly over Mock's dog, was ended yesterday when the jury, after deliberating five hours, brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree. Mock heard the verdict without apparent emotion and remained calm and resigned as has been his attitude throughout the three days' trial. The presecution endeavored to prove that Mock went to the home of Smith with the deliberate intention of starting a quarrel so that he might have MEDFORD, Or., Dec. 21 .- (Special.) ing a quarrel so that he might have sufficient provocation to kill Smith. However, the witnesses for the prosecution and other evidence introduced falled to establish this contention and the jury therefore returned a verdict of murder in the second degree.

Forest Grove Sells Water.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Dec. M.-The City Council has made a contract with O. B. Gates, of Hillsboro, by which he takes the surplus water of the Forest Grove water system for a term of ten years at 4 cents per 1000 gallons. A pipeline will be laid from the Forest Grove reservoir to Hillsbore and Cor-Grove reservoir to initiators and cor-nellus, and Mr. Gates will try to secure franchises with these two cities and with people along the proposed right of way to supply the needed water.

A FITTED SUITCASE.

ASTORIA. Or. Dec. 21.—(Special.)—
Will make an appropriate Christmas gift. An elegant line of them at Harris Trunk Company.

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Of Things That Are Appropriate for Christmas Giving—That Serve Their Purpose Well, There's an Interesting Gathering Here-In Every Dept.

A gathering that is unsurpassed in its variety, its convenient display, its price and fairness. And added to this is a store service that means comfortable convenience for the Christmas shopper, whether you buy today or at the last hour. Delivery of your Christmas gift selections at the right time is assured. Gift cards free. Ask for them.

Store Open Evenings This Week Till 9:30 P. M.—Tea Room Remains Open Till 8:30

Red Cross Seals

are the little messengers of good will that are accompanying millions of Christmas packages and letters to every



part of the world, telling of a great and good work-the campaign of the American Red Cross against tuberculosis.

See that every one of your Christmas packages and letters bears the Red Cross Seals.

Those who will sell them here today will be Miss Jeanette Noble and Miss Rae Zimmerman in the morning and Mrs. W. J. Swope and Mrs. J. Winters during the afternoon.

A Timely Special in GiftWaists\$1.58

And as Waists are on many Christmas lists this year, this offering is opportune. Note the fact, too, that they are all recent arrivals-Waists beautifully made up in new styles that will appear the coming Spring. Hand-embroidered, with long sleeves and high at the neck. Special at\$1.58

In the Shirtwaist Shop.

Neckwear CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

REGULAR VALUES for 79c

The most desirable kind of Christmas gifts in this special collection of pretty Neckpieces, which includes jabots and stocks, rabats and collars, frills and Dutch collars. choice should be an easy matter if one has in mind such a gift.

In the second aisle, Neckwear section.

\$1.50 Gloves at \$1.29

Choose any of the following at this special price:

Our "Narcisse" and "Marcelle" 2clasp, overseam and pique-sewn Glace Kid Gloves.

Washable Mocha Gloves with one pearl clasp.

Silk-lined Mocha Gloves with one

Leather Handbags Special at \$4.89

of calfskin, walrus, alligator, calf and real seal. Some of them leather-lined. Artisto trimmings of gunmetal or gilt. Double handles.

In Furniture One Finds the Most Worthy and Appreciable Kind of Gufts

Gifts of service, of lasting remembrance and of usefulness, whether it be a plain little Tabouret at a modest price or a fine piece in Colonial or Period design at one hundred dollars or more. And it's here that one is assured of selecting the right gift piece-at the price one wishes to pay-a gathering

that is unsurpassed in its assortment,

its quality, its price-fairness. A Few Furniture Bargains Gathered at Random From the Furniture Displays-Second, third, fourth and fifth floors:

\$6.75 for a Colonial Arm Rocker in golden oak, worth \$11.00.

\$7.75 for a golden oak Music Cabinet worth \$10.00. \$9.75 for a Toilet Table in golden oak-with two drawers and good mir-Regular price \$16.00.

\$10.75 for a Morris Chair with weathered frame and tufted velour cushions. Regular price \$22.00. \$11.75 for a golden oak Arm Chair with tufted velour cushions in seat and back. Regular price \$17.00.

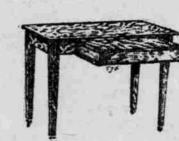
\$15.75 for a Toilet Table in fumed oak. with large mirror and one drawer. Regular price \$31.00.

\$17.50 for a three-quarter size Bed in quarter-sawed golden oak. Reg. price \$36. \$17.50 for a golden oak Arm Rocker with leather seat and back. Regular price \$29,00 \$17.95 for a golden oak Arm Chair with

brown Spanish leather seat and back. Regular price \$29.00. \$19.75 for a Music Cabinet in the beautifully figured Circassian walnut. Regular

\$31.50 for a Phonograph Record Cabinet in golden oak. Regular price \$53.00.

Easy Payments on Furniture and Homefurnishings



Special, \$6.95 - For this Desk Table in quartered golden oak-a table that has the conveniences of a home desk and library table. Top measures 24 inches by 40 inches. Illustration shows the drawer pulled out as writing desk. Regular price \$20.

Holiday Sale of Dinner Sets

In the Basement China and Crockery Store 44-PIECE DINNER SET

in best domestic semi-porcelain, fancy edge with gold edge-band; white center; a new pattern. ial at \$5.48; regular price \$7.50.

50-PIECE DINNER SET in best English semi-porcelain-Carlisle pattern, dainty rose and gold decoration, with fancy edge. Special at \$9.25; regular price \$13.50. 50-PIECE DINNER SET

in best English semi-porcelain-con ventional poppy decoration in blue and gold. Special at \$9 Special at \$9.25; regular price \$13.50.

50-PIECE DINNER SET in Knowles' best semi-porcelain, yellow marguerite decoration; a new design. Special at \$6.95; regular

price \$9.00. 100-PIECE DINNER SET in Austrian china, a pink rose and wreathed decoration with pattern gold trimmed.

\$22.00; regular price \$28.50. 50-PIECE DINNER SETS Knowles' best semi-porcelain-cornflower conventional decoration, with pattern edge and three gold bands. Special at \$7.50; regular price

50-PIECE DINNER SET Knowles' best semi-porcelain-plain white with pattern edge and gold band; gold handles. Special at \$12.00; regular price \$15.00.

100-PIECE DINNER SET French China with very dainty rose decoration and ivy border; mottled gold handles. Special at \$22.00; regular price \$28,50.

The Great Toy Sale, the Most Important Event This Season-Fourth Off on All Toys



STEEL EXPRESS WAGONS \$2.00 Wagons at \$1.59. \$2.50 Wagons at \$1.98. \$2.25 Wagons at \$1.65. \$3.75 Wagons at \$2.68.

Buffaloes, Cows, Camels, Dogs Horses, Lions, Etc.-60¢ for 80c Cows. 30¢ for 40e Horses. 83¢ for \$1.10 Horses. 33.55 for \$4.75 Horses. \$1.00 for \$1.35 Cows. 49¢ for 65c Horses. \$1.39 for \$1.85 Horses. 19¢ for 25e Dogs. 45¢ for 60c Dogs. 98¢ for \$1.30 Buffaloes. \$2.63 for \$3.50 Buffaloes.

94¢ for \$1.25 Lions.

\$1.13 for \$1.50 Lions.

\$1.50 for \$2.00 Camels.

most indescribable, so great is the variety in Toys, Dolls, Vehicles, etc. Mechanical Toys, Musical Toys, Animal Toys; in fact, nothing has been overlooked in making this Portland's most wonderful -most interesting Toy bazaar. Our entire stock shows the price reduction of one-fourth. The few merely as a suggestion-California Coasters - \$3.50

And the gathering that toy buyers find here is al-

Coaster at \$2.29, \$4 Coasters at \$2.68. 30c Doll Go-Carts at 19c. \$2.25 Rubber-Tire Sulkies at

\$1.98 Steam Engines, Horizontal and Vertical Types-\$1.31 for Engines worth \$1.69 for Engines worth

\$2.45 for Engines worth \$3.75 for Engines worth \$13.50 for Engines worth Ocean Liners and Battleships.

49¢ for 65c Battleships.

\$1.88 for \$2.50 Steamboats.

\$3.00 for \$4.00 Battleships.

\$5.00 Pullman Handcars at \$3.40. \$6.00 Columbia Handcars at \$4.00. \$8.50 Combination Wagons at

\$5.40. \$4.69 for \$6.25 Ocean Lin-Aeroplanes and Airships. 37¢ for 50c Aeroplanes.

> Toy Autos and Auto Busses. \$1.50 for \$2.00 Automobiles. \$3.38 for \$4.50 Automobiles. 49¢ for 65¢ Auto Busses. \$2.06 for \$2.75 Auto Busses. Mechanical Trains and Tracks

> > 35¢ and to \$4.13.

from 60c to \$5.50, special at

Indestructible Iron Toys.

\$4.13 for Hook and Ladder Trucks worth \$5.50. \$2.25 for Hook and Ladder Trucks worth \$3.00. for 60c Aeroplanes. \$1.80 for \$2.40 Aeroplones. \$1.20 for Hook and Ladder S3¢ for \$1.10 Airships. Trucks worth \$1.60.

\$2.45 for Fire Engines worth \$3.25. \$4.85 for Fire Engines

worth \$6.50. 28¢ for Fire Engines worth

28¢ for Trains worth 35c. 94¢ for Trains worth \$1.25.

Baker Expects Much From Commission Government.

MAYOR OUTLINES POLICY

Head of City Says He Will Blot Out Graft in Police Department. System Wipes Ward Politics From Situation.

BAKER. Or. Dec. 21.—(Special.)—
Since taking office two weeks ago under the new commission form of municipal government. Mayor Palmer has received many letters from other Oregon and Washington towns asking in regard to the new plan.

"The Baker plan of commission government is not an experiment," said Mr. Palmer today. "It has been tried for years by Galveston and many Eastern cities and has been found satisfactory. The experiment stage has been passed. It is a success and has come to stay. I have made a long study of this system and firmly believe that it is the only system where the people rule. It eliminates cliques and combinations. It blots out ward politics.

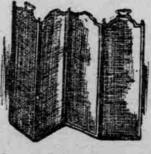
"Under the Baker plan, graft will be eliminated, and that alone will serve as sufficient reason for its adoption by any progressive city. It is my inten-

tion to build up a police department that will be efficient—a department whose function shall be the protection of the rights and liberties of the people and not to play politics. Many improvements have been planned and as soon as everything is in running order we expect to accomplish great things for the future of Baker." The Commercial Club, as well as the Mayor, is receiving many letters asking



for information in regard to the Baker | keeps the Mayor and secretary of the | parture from the old city government club husy answering the many indents in the Northwest have selected this subject for their debate and it | publicity as a result of her radical de- | Germany is experimenting with glass







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