

INLET WAS PLAIN

New Port of Portland Commission Sustained.

THE CIRCUIT COURT'S DECISION

Case Will Be Appealed to the Supreme Court at Once—Board Will Organize Tuesday—Fishes Checked by Snake Falling.

C. F. Swigort, John Driscoll, C. F. Adams, Edgar E. Johnson, W. Spencer, P. L. Willis and G. B. Thomsen, members of the Port of Portland Commission. This was the decision rendered by Judge Frazer yesterday, and concurred in by Judges Sears and George. In the suit to oust M. C. Bantfield, Ellis G. Hughes, John McCracken, Ben Selling and Alfred Tucker from the office of Port of Portland Commissioners. The question at issue was whether the act passed relating to the Port of Portland was amended by the act of 1903 changing the membership.

During the argument C. A. Carey, attorney for the new members, contended that the title to the law of 1903 is exactly the same as the title of the 1901 statute with the exception that it provides that two sections of the act be amended. Mr. Carey said the only thing wrong upon the title of the 1903 law is that the quotation marks were not properly placed.

J. Couch Flanders, attorney for the contestants, argued that the title of the 1903 law indicates that it amends the 1901 act, which was repealed by the 1901 statute. Mr. Carey contended that the act of 1903 is not in force, the commissioners named in the act of 1903 continue in office.

In deciding the case Judge Frazer referred to a suit where the Oregon Supreme Court held "that in the title of an act reference to the law to be amended or a designation of it by which it can be with reasonable certainty determined what was intended is sufficient."

Judge Frazer referred to numerous decisions in his opinion. He said that "we cannot do better than to adopt the recapitulation contained in brief of counsel for the plaintiff, as a statement of the conclusions arrived at by this court, which are as follows:

"First—There is but one act on the statute books with the title recited in the title of the act amended, and this is the act of 1901 and not the act of 1903.

"Second—The act of 1903 has no sections 25 and 26 (the sections amended), while the act of 1901 has.

"Third—The act of 1903 has already been repealed and was in force, while the act of 1901 was the only existing act that could have been subject to amendment.

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RECEIVER'S SALE

The Coming Week Will See Its Finish.

The End in Sight—If You're Coming You'll Have to Hurry—A List of What's Left—The Prices—Terms of Payments—Interesting Piano News.

Wide-awake buyers are finding here a veritable bargain harvest in pianos and organs, both new and second-hand. Mr. Claude Galt, of the firm of Gilbert Brothers, who recently went into bankruptcy, has turned over to the Receiver, F. M. Wheeler, the entire stock of pianos and organs, part of the assets of the defunct bank. Every instrument is to be sold at once.

How the Receiver Got Them As an explanation of how these people came to have possession of these pianos and organs, it should be stated that apparently the bank had the instruments from the makers. The bank in turn sent them to a dealer who at one time made some very great claims and pretensions in the piano business here, in Salem and here, on Sixth street, in the Portland. This dealer agreed to pay the bank for the pianos when sold at a substantial advance. When the bank failed these instruments were on hand and some were returned by customers to the store. These transactions are too complicated to be repeated in detail here. Suffice it to say that there will be many more people whose consciences were unwittingly or otherwise sorely abused—exactly as we predicted—years ago.

Prices to Close Them Out But as to the instruments, every one of them is to be sold within the allotted time, and in order to accomplish this, the Receiver has decided to sell the pianos at less than what it cost the dealer to get them heretofore.

About Time Payments But those desiring to buy on time payments may pay one-tenth of the amount now, the balance in equal monthly installments. The Receiver will create time, deferred payments to bear interest at 4 per cent per annum.

Organ, Also, Are Included Brand-new Schell & Co. organs, valued at from \$85 to \$86, are marked down to \$42.50 and \$43.

For Schools and Lodges In this sale are included a great variety of cheap organs. These will all be closed out at once. Some of the special values which means at about one-third or one-fourth of the price of the same when they are first put on the market.

A Large Number of Others as Well. Bear in mind that in addition to these instruments we have a large stock of a large variety of second-hand pianos, some but very slightly used, that have come to us as a result of a special sale. We sell regularly. In this lot you will find \$125 brand-new oak case Lester, damaged in transit, \$85.

Largest size, fancy mahogany carved walnut case, Royal upright, sold recently by a prominent dealer who has gone out of business for \$385, now \$185.

Largest size, walnut case Marshall upright, \$125.

WONDERFUL BARGAINS

Here's good news—Roberts' Bros.' Big Removal Sale will continue for the next week or ten days. Now is the time you should buy, and buy liberally. Come this week and share with the hundreds of others who have profited by this great sale. We have doubled our exertions in your behalf, and careful buyers will find that a little money can do wonders at Roberts Bros. Following is an attractive range of prices much below the real value:

Table with columns: FANCY GOODS, DESIRABLE HOSIERY, SILK BARGAINS. Items include Two-clasp Lisle gloves, Ladies' fancy lace hose, Ladies' embroidery hose, Ladies' cotton hose, Cushion cord, Venise lace galloons, Louisine ribbon.

Table with columns: GREAT SALE DOMESTIC GOODS, DRESS GOODS REDUCED. Items include German calico, Linen crash, Turkish towels, Pepper unbleached sheeting, Pillow slips, Curtain screens, Black satin, Outing flannel, Silkolines, White linen, 60-inch bleached table linen, Bleached muslin, Linen napkins, Linen towels, Curtain Swais.

Table with columns: NEW WASH GOODS, NEW COTTON WAISTINGS. Items include 1200 yards of figured organdies, 25 pieces of cotton covers, 2000 yards of figured lawn, 31-inch Anderson madras waistings, Anderson Oxford waistings, White pique and Oxford, White pique with small figures, White mercerized damase, 200 yards of fancy mercerized waistings.

Table with columns: MEN'S WEAR, SHOE SPECIALS. Items include Men's Balbriggan underwear, Men's golf shirts, Men's fancy hose, Girls' kid and patent leather, Ladies' fine lisle vests, Ladies' silk lisle vests, Ladies' knit pants.

Table with columns: DRESS GOODS REDUCED, SUMMER UNDERWEAR. Items include 42-inch wool ocean serge, Snowflake suitings, 40-inch all-wool albatross, 36-inch melton cloths, All-wool imported velvets, 40-inch black Sicilian, All-wool tricot waistings.

NEW STORE—THIRD AND MORRISON STREETS—VERY SOON. Fifth and Yamhill Streets—Temporary.

Roberts Bros. advertisement featuring a portrait of a man and text describing their business and various products. Includes 'Twenty Years of Success' and 'Kidney and Urinary' sections.