HOME FOR THE FIREBOAT

PROPERTY AT FOOT OF HAN-COCK STREET OFFERED FOR IT.

Northwest Door Company Sends Letter to Mayor Tendering Location Which is Large Enough.

The orphan fireboat has been offered a home by the Northwest Door Company, which is willing to give to the city the

use of property adjoining their plant at the foot of Hancock street, as a berth for the George H. Williams. Samuel Connell, president and manager of the Northwest Door Company, sent a communication to Mayor Williams yesterday afternoon tendering the location. As the Mayor was absent from his office at-tending the policemen's review during the afternoon, the communication was not received by him until late in the evening.
What he thought of the offer could not therefore be ascertained.
The property offered by the Northwest Door Company is \$2120 feet. All that will

Deor Company is \$2:120 feet. All that will be necessary to put it into shape for the use of the fireboat is to pull out a few bunches of piling, at little cost. Then a slip may be built, which would amply accommodate the fireboat. To be sure, the George H. Williams is 25 feet wide and Its feet ions, but apparently a slip could be built upon the ground suggested, which would aflow the fireboat to back in and out without danger. out without danger.

There would also be plenty of room for the erection of a house for the firemen and hose cart. Lower Albina is in need of better fire protection, so its residents have frequently stated, and property-owners in that vicinity will doubtless pull for the establishment of a hose company, which would be a part of the fireboat's equip-

ment.

Mr. Connell was asked last evening as to the offer be had made.

"It would be a good place for the fire-boat," said he. "The location of the Albian ferry close by would allow the hose cart to follow the fireboat to a West Side fire almost as rapidly as if it was stationed at East Washington street, if not faster. After all the reventer need for faster. After all, the greatest need for the firehoat is in the lower part of the has bor, for the fire engines can reach the wharves near the business portion of the city.-bert cannot get to a fire on a dock or mill farther down the river nearly as rapidly. There are many docks and mills near this location which would be bene-

Up to the present time property-owners have united in protesting against the plac-ing of the fireboat near their property. No matter where the fireboat committee

looked there came a remonstrance.
The George H. Williams will be faunched next Saturday, if present plans are carried out. The machinery will then be placed. and in a few weeks it will be ready for business. Both the Mayor and the fire-boat committe of the Executive Board have grown somewhat wearied of the un-successful search for a berth for the city's floating fire engine, and Mr. Connell's offer may come as a welcome solution. East Washington street seemed to be the only feasible position until yesterday.

As usual the property-owners were preparing to protest, but Mayor Williams had declared that if necessary the fight would be carried into the courts so that his namesake might have a home.

WATER BOARD IS AGREEABLE.

Will Place Hydrants Upon the Larger Water Mains.

That the Water Board will accede to the request of the Council and place hydrants when the serger water mains, at the same time agree or to pay for all new hydrants out of the water fund, is now practically admitted. Members of the fire committee of the Escentive Board have been given assurance by members of the Water Board that that will be done without the Council assurance an ordinance for the Water Water Board and Council assurance of the Water Board that that will be done without the Council assurance of the Water Board or ordinance for the passing an ordinance forcing the Water

Hoard to do so.

Owing to the better facilities of the Water Board for placing hydranta, the work can be done considerably cheaper than by the Fire Department. This fact has been brought most forcibly to the at-tention of the Water Board. As the water fund is a part of the city's finances, and a saving so the city was apparent, the Water Board could do nothing but ac-

Superintendent Frank T. Dodge, of the Water Roard, has filed with the Executive Seart the information concerning the large mains asked for. It is also a statement showing the reasons for the reluc-tance of the Water Board to tap the larger mains for hydrants. Maps explain, ing the routes of the water mains through-

Councilmen had raised questions soon after the Park School fre, when water was scarce, though large mains untapped by hydrants flowed past the burning build-ing. The cause of this is given by Superintendent Dodge in the commu

intendent Dodge in the communication, which in substance is as follows:
All the water used on the west side of the river flows from the 32-inch pipe into the tank of the upper reservoir at the City Park. This tank is 300 feet above the base of city grades. From it an isinch pipe conveys the water used in the elevated district of the city, all above 100 feet. From this tank another pipe conveys all water used in that portion of the city under 100 feet above city grade. This water statis from the lower reservoir, the reduction in the head of the water being necessary to cut down the tremesdous pressure. This is what is called the high and low-pressure services. dous pressure. This is what is high and low-pressure services.

The large mains in the business part of the city are described in detail. As to the Park School neighborhood the state-ment is as follows: There are on two sides of the Park School

lock four water mains, as follows: Tenth street a 20-inch and a six-inch mu conveying water to the lower district, and on Jefferson street a 23-inch main for the low district and a 12-inch main for the high district. The clevation at the school is 101 feet above base of grades, consequently the head of water on the 11-120 main is 100 feet, and on the others its feet. The only hydrant which the Fire Deport

ment ever asked to have connected to an of the mains near the school is the on the southwest corner of the school bli It is connected to the 12-inch main. main is capable of supplying four six-

DIFFICULT IMPROVEMENTS.

East Oak-Street Assessment is Badly Mixed Question.

The assessment for the improvement of East Oak arrest, between East Third and East Twelfth streets, will East Oak arrest, between east Third and Fast Twelfth streets, will go down in the history of Portland as one of the most mixed-up pieces of municipal work ever undertaken. To mention East Oak street anywhere about the City Hill marks one unpopular. For months that name has been a hugaboo, and no one likes to been the

A week ago it looked as though a new A week ago it looked as though a new accessment, would be made following the recommendation of the street committee of the Council But the City Atturney decided before the Council meeting Wednesday that this would be legally impossible, so the matter was disposed of, temperarily at least by the Council not adopting the recommendation of the committee. So the assumment will have to stand. If as is declared, some property-owners will be levied upon so heavily as to cause confiscation of their property, the general fund, which is poor enough as it is, will probably be called upon to supply the deficit.

Property adjoining the elevated road-

supply the deficit.
Property adjoining the elevated road-way across the Hawthorne Guich was assessed less in some instances than ground lying six blocks away near the limit of the assessment district. This nat-

explained by the assessment clerks that such property had already paid higher as assessments than more distant property which, in this case, was taxed much higher. So it is hoped that the matter will adjust itself in the course of time and all be penceable in the end. But the Councilmen have unofficially promised re-lief when absolutely necessary to save property, and they mean it.

City Hail Will Be Closed.

The City Hall will be closed tomorrow is senor of Washington's birthday. Not ever visitors will be allowed in the mu for a big "closed" sign will adorn each

WAR ON POOLROOM GOES ON.

Madison Business Men Denounce Police for Defending Gamblers.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20.-A meeting was held today by the Business Men's Improvemen League, of Madison, Ill., and it was decided to continue the war on the poolroom Resolutions condemning the action of the police in defending and assisting the pool-room gambiors and "provoking hostilities" were adopted. A decision was reached to lay the entire matter before the Grand Jury and also to take it up directly with the Attorney-General of Illinobe, with the purpose of putting a stop in a legal way to the official connivance under which

WELCOME CHURCH UNION

LOCAL PRESBYTERIANS HOPE FOR ADOPTION OF PLAN.

Cumberland Branch, Which Seceded in 1810, May Be Received Again in the Fold.

The agreement adopted as a basis of union by the committee on church co-operation and union of the Presbyterian churches of the United States, and the committee on fraternity and union of the Cumberiand Presbyterian Church, at a meeting in St. Louis on February 15, is heartily welcomed by all Presbyterians, for the union of these two branches will result in making the Presbyterian Church

result in making the Presbyterian Church National in character with a membership approximating 1,250,000.

The union of the two churches has long been discussed in Presbyterian circles, and there are few who will not be glad to see the action of these committees ratified at the general assemblies in May. When the Cumberland members merge with the Presbyterian Church proper, it will only be a return to the fold of which they were years ago a part.

the Attorney-General of Illinois, with the purpose of putting a stop in a legal way to the official connivance under which the poolroom has been run.

None of the six men wounded will die from his wounds, it is thought. The po-

LIVED IN THREE

CENTURIES



cently at Langston, Mich., at the Huff, of this city, and an aunt of J. N. Voorbeis, David Huff and D. Huff, also of Portland. The picture of Mrs. Voorheis given above was taken on her 100th birthday, at which time she received calls and gave her autograph to many friends. She was born in 1800, the last year of the 18th century, and lived to see the first three years of the 20th century go by. was remarkably active until the time of her demise. Her brother, G. L. Huff, is now 86, and their mother, who died in 1883, had reached the age of 102. An aunt who died muny years ago was 100

of the posse whom they could find. It was stated by members of the posse that the police were even entering the h of the posse members and conducting their search for arms there. It is declared that if necessary the cit-

izens would find the means to arm them

Victor Schuler and eleven men asso-clated with him in the poolroom arrived at Madison this afternoon and went at at Madison this afternoon and went at once to the office of Police Magistrate Gibbs, where they gave bond in the sum of \$500 each for their appearance, Pebruary 21, for a preliminary hearing on warrants issued Pebruary 10, on affidavits of Chief of Police McCambridge, charging them with maintaining a gambling house. The fact that the warrants were issued 10 days ago and that no apparent effort had been made to serve them. effort had been made to serve them caused comment.

ALTOGETHER TOO MANY

New Homes to Be Found for a Hundred or More Worthy Candidates.

be found an advertisement of one of the st remarkable plane sales ever held in this country. During the phenomenal bus-iness done by Ellers Plane House the past two months, an immense number of used planes have been taken in part payment keeps increasing daily. Hather than store them, it has been decided to make extra inducements to buyers to take them off our hands at once, and ridiculously low prices have been placed on them all. There are also some fine old squares of the mo-famous makes, whose beautiful tones b famous makes, whose beautiful tones be-tray the excellence of their construction and the material of which they are made, Scores of uprights, many of them good as new, are being added to daily. Every instrument, as soon as it has been care-fully inspected and renovated is placed on sale, which makes things exceedingly vely, as buyers are all the time on the

lookout for the biggest hargain. It may be of interest to some to learn that there still remain a few vacancies in the popular plane clubs. This means oportunities to purchase a plane at whol sale, and on very moderate payments, a Ellers Piano House, 33 Washington street

The Pianola is more popular than ever, Another carload is expected to arrive this

THE STORY OF "FAUST."

Its Two Famous Versions by "Marlowe" and "Goethe" to Be Presented in a Course of Six Lecture-Studies.

Of all modern stories that of "Faust" is the most familiar and the most suggestive, Art, music and literature have served at culminating in Goethe

'Paust." his masterples Mrs. Louis Altman will give a course of six lecture-studies on "The Story of Faust," as treated by Christopher Mar-lowe and Goethe, at her residence, 46 Stark street, near Tenth, on Tuesday afternoons at 3 o'clock-February 23 and March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.

lirch 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.
The same course-adapted to young ladies and mairons—will be given on Wednesday cornings at 16-20 at the same place—Feb-atry 24 and March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, ourse tickets, E, obtainable at residence. It is desired that all wishing to attend these lecture-studies communicate with Mrs. Altman as soon as possible. Tele-

FINE HORSES AT AUCTION.

Many High-Bred Horses to Be Disposed Of Next Week.

J. L. McCarthy & Sin will hold their second Spring horse auction at Irvington Park, March 1, 2 and 2, when 150 high-hred norses will be disposed of to the highes horses will be disposed of to the highest bilder, without reserve. The catalogue, which has just been issued, contains com-plete descriptions and poligress of every horse. There are horses for the track and speedway, matched pairs, family horses, stylish single drivers, saddlers, hunters and thoroughbreds for racing or use under the saddle, young racing or use under the saddle, young racing po-pects, breeding stock and light and heavy draft horses. The sales will commence draft horses. The sales will commence each day at 10 A. M., rain or shine. Ladies coordially invited to attend the sales, and to J. L. McCarthy & Son, room & milton building, for a catalogue and

MURINE EYE REMEDY name cure for Eye troubles. Never falls win friends. Used for infant and adult uring don't smart. Section Eve-pain.

which the Rev. James McGready's very pointed discourses created grave dissen-sion in the Transylvania Presbytery, of which the Cumberiands were then mem-bers, was the origin of what proved to be a disunion movement. The Presbytery was divided into two classes, the re-vivalists and the anti-revivalists. The re-vivalists were the cause of the separation from the mother church, holding distinctive views. The mother church insisted upon ordained ministers be-ing theological students, or at least educated men well versed in the study of the Bible and able to undergo examinations, but the Cumberland faction insisted upon ordaining any one who could preach. The synod in 1895 suspended some of the members of the Cumberland Presbytery for refusing to submit its

young men for re-examination. In 1819
2 independent Presbytery was formed to
mich the hame of Cumberland was given,
and at its first meeting the confession and
discipline of the Presbyterian Church was ionted with the exception of the idea adopted with the exception of the idea of fatality, and provisions were made as to the scholarship of licentiates. The doc-trine of the Cumberlands has the follow-ing points of dissent from the Westmin-ater Confession: 1—Christ died not for a part only, but for all mankind, 5-That there are no eternal reprobates. 3-That all infants dying in infancy are saved through Christ and the sanctification of the spirit. 4-That the spirit of God operates on the world, or as co-extensive y as Christ has made the atonement is

The Cumberland Presbyterian Church has grown and flourished, and in addition to being well organized has many famous fastitutions of learning, the Law School of the Cumberland University at Lebanon. Tenn., being considered the best in the

If the union of the two churches t effected when the assemblies meet in May, it will be upon the doctrinal basis of the confession of faith of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of Americ as revised in 1960, and of its oth trinal and ecclesiastical standards.

On the Prospect of Planting Arts and Learning in America.

A quotation ("Westward the course of em

The Muse, disgusted at an age and citme flarren of every giordous theme, in distant lands now write a better time, Producing subjects worthy fame;

In happy climes, where from the genial sun And virgin earth such scenes ensue

The force of art by nature seems sutdone, And functed beauties by the true; In happy climes, the seat of innocence, Where nature guides and virtue rules, Where men shall not impose, for truth and

The pedentry of courts and schools,

There shall be sung another golden age, The rise of smire and of arts. The good and great inspiring spic rage, The wisest beads and noblest hearts. Not such as Europe breeds in her decay: Such as she brel when fresh and young, When beavenly dame did animate her clay, By future poets shall be sing.

Vestward the course of empire takes its way The four first acts already past, fifth shall close the drams with the day;
Time's noticest offspring is the last.

-George Berkeley.

Whitman College Notes.

The freehman class will bring out the April number, having chosen Fred C. Hanson as editor-in-chief and Joseph Allen, manager; and the sophomore class will edit the May number.

The faculty will give a big colonial party o the students of the college and academy n Memorial Hail Saturday night. It is expected that every one will appear in costumes like those of our ancestors, and the boys are already beginning to look up anickerbockers and wigs. Colonial games will be played, and perhaps an old-fash ioned minuet indulged in, and refreshments even will be "a la colonial." This party has heretofore been an annual feature on Washington's birthday, being omitted only last year.

One of the most unique contests ever eld in Whitman College was the Greek

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In many instances you will fine These Petticoats are made of muslin and cambric, some are trimmed with lace and embroidery ruffles, others are hand-somely trimmed with insertion and lace; extra fine, \$1.65 CORSET COVERS

New French shapes, some entire ly lace trimmed, some trimmed with embroidery and ribbon; all are well made of superior cam bric and lawn;



Correct Corsets

When a Corset feels like a well-fitting Glove, you may feel assured that something is being attained in the way of figure result. Just this feeling is secured from R. & G. model No. 397. It is made of best quality coutille, with sateen stripes, short hips, low bust, no side steels; has 4 hooks and 10-inch clasp; colors drab and black, sizes from 18 to 36.

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Over two thousand dollars' worth of new Spring Waists just arrived. The largest and most complete line of popular price Waists ever brought to Portland. They are in voiles, poplin, Oxfords, piques, sateens, madras, damasse, mohairs and lawns. White and fancy colors. Prices range from 50¢ UP TO \$2.75.

Fine Pean De Soie Waists, in black and popular colors, "the latest." Actual value, \$6.50; our price......

Extra quality China Silk Waists, in white only, new styles Actual value, \$4.50; our price.....

Children's Wear.

MONDAY A DAY OF SPECIAL ATTRAC-For infants' and children's Silk Bon-nets, lace and ribbon trimmed. Also other grades up to \$1.50. For children's cameishair plain, white and fancy colors. Regu-

lar price 50c. For children's Knit Toques, plain and variegated colors. Worth from 35c to 75c each. HALF PRICE-Any child's Coat, sizes 4 to 12

years; large assortment of styles and colors. 10 PER CENT DISCOUNT—Any child's Dress; all good styles and splendid materials, hand-somely trimmed; sizes 4 to 14 years. Infants' Short and Long Coats, in Bedford cord and cashmere, at low prices.

Finest Embroideries at Bargain Table.

Hundreds of yards of exquisite Embroideries and insertions at a third of real worth, in Swiss and nainsook; large assortment of patterns and designs, all widths up to 9 inches ranging in value up to 35c yard-Monday your choice at, per yard...... 186

Specially Priced Skirts.

These new creations which are daily arriving are awaiting your greatly desired inspection. They are made by New York's cleverest designers, and can hardly fall to enlist your attention, particularly so at the prices we are pleased to make for Monday's and this week's

NEW WALKING SKIRTS, nine-gore, flaring style, with straps and buttons, made of beau tiful all-wool mixtures, some fancy \$5.00 checks: actual value \$7.50, for..... Seven-gored flare WALKING SKIRTS, in fine all-wool melton, handsomely trimmed WALKING SKIRT, in fine all-wool Scotch mixtures, in beautiful ratterns

\$7.50 elaborately self-trimmed **New Spring Suits** \$15.00, \$17.50, \$18.00, \$22.50

1904 styles in Women's Suits, all the new effects, in plain cheviots and in the new mixtures; made in the new Etons, blouses and in the short-coat effect. Effective models at very

Shoes.

For this week's selling we offer the following lines of footwear. Note the prices here, and bear in mind that the items advertised here are the best-fitting and wearing shoes that skilled shoemakers can make.

SCHOOL SHOES FOR GIRLS-Girls' reliable kid and box calf lace Shoes, with mediumweight best "oak leather" soles, well fastened on. They're "Cur Celebrated MOHAWK School Shoes." We're making a special run on them this week. Note the prices:

Sizes 5 to 8, \$1.50 values, for...\$1.18 Sizes 81/2 to 11, \$1.75 values, for ... \$1.38 Sizes 1114 to 2, \$2.00 values, for ... \$1.58

SCHOOL SHOES FOR BOYS-Boys' box calf lace chool Shoes, with solid leather soles, securely fastened to the uppers: Sixes 9 to 12 , \$1.75 values...\$1.39

Sizes 121/2 to 2 , \$2.00 values ... \$1.59

Sizes 21/2 to 51/2, \$2.25 values...\$1.69 \$2.00 SLIPPERS FOR WOMEN, \$1.48-Wom en's fine kid and patent House and Party Slippers, in the one and three-strap and o styles, all soles are genuine HAND TURNED, and warranted not to rip. Regular \$2.00 values, and six original styles \$1.00 to select from-THIS WEEK FOR...\$1,48

\$2.50 SHOES FOR WOMEN, \$1.83-Women's vici kid and box calf, lace styles, light and edium-weight soles. These shoes are right up to the minute in styles and shapes, and are excellent for wear. This is an opportunity the most economical shopper should \$1.83 take advantage of. This week at.....\$1.83

Rubbers.

Another lot of those 50c quality Storm Rubbers for women just received, and will be placed on sale

New Wash Fabrics, Domestics.

GRECIAN VOILES, a fabric that appears to be of wool, in light blue, white, tan, reseda, navy and Oxford mixtures; specially adapted BRIERPROOF SUITINGS, in blues, grays and greens, with fancy flake effects, adapted for waists or costumes, 28 in. wide. 250 BOLTON PIQUES, in a wide range of popular Regular 25c grade—per yard.......20c BOUCLE SOIE, a beautiful, sheer fabric work, with a boucle-stripe effect, in a wide range of

WHITE MERCERIZED WAISTINGS, in Ox-

fords, damask and stripe effects; large select

tions. Specially priced

BLACK LAWNS

INDIA LINONS, fine and sheer,

specially priced, yard, 11c, 9c and 76

specially priced, 15c, 121/2 and...... 106

PERSIAN LAWNS, sheer and fine. 186 black and white—price 35c, 25c and...... New Laces.

NEW LACES for Spring. This is going to be a lace season. That is why we have secured the latest creations in TRIMMING LACES, ORIENTAL NET TOPS, POINT VENISE

New Spring Embroideries. Several thousand yards of fine cambric and nainsook Embroideries, from 2 to 8 inches wide; worth regularly 25c and 30c

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ALL PURE SILK TAFFETA RIBBONS, with No. 5, 1 INCH WIDE, ALL COLORS, No. 7, 1% INCH WIDE, ALL COLORS, DRS, 50 No. 6, 31/4 INCH WIDE, ALL COLORS, . 15c vard

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A remarkable showing. Every day for the last three weeks new goods have arrived from the best manufacturers in the world-a showing that will make Roberts Bros.' dress goods business absolutely supreme. It offers to women folks the widest opportunity for the choosing of styles that are absolutely correct, and at the same time saving you many a dollar on the purchase. Tomorrow the Spring selling will begin in earnest. If you would secure choice selection, BE HERE! But tomorrow, or any day, be assured of the greatest values it is possible to obtain.

38-inch LANSDOWNE or LAVENTINE, in cream, a beautiful silk-woo! mixture, very effective gown and waisting material. \$1.25 Regular \$1.65 values—for...........\$1.25 50-inch FRENCH VCILES, in tan, greens, black, cream, navy, royal purple. 850 Regular \$1.25 value—per yard....... 850 40-INCH ENGLISH METALLIC LUSTERS, in cream, cardinal, navy, black, green, with metallic, nest effects; beautiful waisting materi-

46-inch IMPORTED SCOTCH TWEEDS, in

blue, gray and brown mixtures; most suitable for costs, suits and skirts, as it will not

require linings. Regular \$1 grade— 750

50-INCH ENGLISH CHEVIOT SERGE SUIT-INGS, in blues, browns and black, with white mixed effects; beautiful combinations. Regular \$1.75 values-

50 Pieces New Spring "Priestley" Blacks

Received too late to give minute descrip-tions, but they are all the latest weaves and styles—placed on sale Monday.

ROBERTS BROS.' MODERATE PRICES WILL PREVAIL

60-inch IMPORTED WORSTED CHEVIOTS in tans, grays, Oxford and greens. Regular \$2 grades—for, yard......\$1.65 58-inch IMPORTED TWEEDS, in plain color,

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50 - Inch IMPORTED CANVAS SACKING:

cream, heavy weight, fine, lustrous finish; very popular cloaking material. very popular cloaking material. \$1.40

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BLACK PEAU DE SOIE, 21-inch, EXTRA heavy, double finish \$1.40 BLACK PEAU DE SOIE, 27-inch..... \$1.50 BLACK PEAU DE SOIE, 36-inch......\$1.95 "ALL GUARANTEED."

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One Life Lost in Baltimore Fire. BALTIMORE, Feb. 20.—It was thought not a life was lost in the fire here, but a