ASSESS THEM ALL JUST AN ECHO

No Franchises Will Be Allowed PIANOS THAT ARRIVED TOO to Escape.

SOME REDUCTIONS MADE

Board of Equalization Takes Up Several Protests and in Few Instances Cuts Down Sigler's Valuations.

To avoid the possibility of a legal disoute concerning the assessment of fran bises, and a claim that all franchis have not been assessed. Assessor Sigle and County Judge Webster and Commis-sioners Barnes and Lightner, sitting as a Board of Equalization, yesterday decided to assess all franchises. To this end, it was decided to assess the franchise of the Southern Pacific Company on Fourth street, the franchise of the City Messen-ger & Delivery Company, Portland Hy-draulic Company, Union Market and all

others which can be found.

The board concluded to reduce the assessment on the Western Union Telegraph ompany. The assessment on the wires, oles and other property was \$73,000, or bree times what it was a year ago. This was reduced back to about the former figure, or \$25,800. The franchise was as-ceased at \$15,000. This was not assessed at \$15,000. This was not assessed at all last year. Notes and accounts were assessed \$1500, making a total of \$42,300.

double last your's assessment. The assessment of the Pacific Postal Telegraph Company was reduced from 2,000 to 40150. The assessment was: Property, \$6150; franchise, \$9000. It was decided to assess the rolling stock \$12,000 to \$9150.

of the Astoria & Columbia River Railway An estimate will be made to what proportion of the total mount of rolling stock ought to be as-essed in this county. The rolling stock as not been assessed in Multnomah

According to a decision of the United States Supreme Court that imported goods in original packages are nonassessible, J. McCraken & Co. will escape taxes on im-ported cement, valued at \$3,000, which is n the original barrels.

ent of \$9000 on merchandise and \$40. her implement firms, which averaged o \$40,000. Assessor Sigler said the nearest he had been able to proach 75 per cent valuations. The board has still a number of cases o consider, and will finish its labors

TROOPS FOR PHILIPPINES

BRIVE FROM MONTANA, DEPART FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

Snelling for Transfer to the Tropics.

Martial music echoed from the trainmpany yesterday afternoon and stacted a throng from the adjacent hold attention for nearly two hours department that continues to occupy its while troopers of the Fourth United quarters in the Administration building. States Cavalry were at the depot. At 1:45 a long special train of 16 cars building will be deserted. States Cavalry were at the depot. At 1:45 a long special train of 16 cars pulled into the yards, having on heard the headquarters staff, band and 295 officers and men of Troops A. I. K. and L. of the regiment, en route from Fort the hands of President Myers for disposal. a of the regiment, en route from Fort Assiniboln, Mont., to San Francisco, to sail for the Philippines December 15. The Great Northern Rallway furnished the equipment for two trains of 12 are each, with the exception of the oliman sleeping-cars used, for the ovement through to San Francisco. the train arriving early yesterday af-ernoon also included four baggage ers with accourrements and personal eut from Portland south of a special riving last evening at 5 o'clock oc-pied by the officers and troopers of mpanies G and H, of the same regi it, from Fort Snelling and bound

the same destination. Colonel J. H. Dorst was in command. d other officers of the regiment acempanying the first section were: implain John A. Mills; Captain J. W. eard, H. H. Pattison, C. H. Conrad, Roy B. Harper, J. N. Munro; Lieuliver and Veterinarian Schwartzkopf hose from Fort Snelling were handled Pertland via the Northern Pacific, a those from Fort Assinibaine by the reat Northern to Seattle, Northern Pafic to Portland, and all thence to San rancisco by the Southern Pacific Fresh

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LATE FOR "DOWNTOWN" EXPOSITION AT EILERS PIANO HOUSE.

Some Very Costly and Unique, Strictly Highest-Grade Pianos, to Be Sold at Reduced Prices-Kimballs, Hobart M. Cables, One Steck, Lesters, Hazeltons, Schumanns, Story & Clarks, Haddorffs, Two Webers and a Chickering-An Array of the World's Best Instruments-Payments to Suit Your Convenience.

Brand-new planes, every one the best that can be produced, are to be sold this week at marked refuctions. Think of it. Beautiful new Kimballs, Hobart M. Cables, Hazeltons, Story & Clarks, Had-dorffe, Lesters, Schumanns, a Steck, two Webers and a Chickering at cut prices.

Beyond Description.

All times planes were selected for exhibition purposes. This means that every plane is the very finest and most up-to-date in every respect, and comes in the very latest and most beautiful of case designs in manegany, Circussian walnut, quartered onl. Hungarian ask; among them many designs entirely new and unique.

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One perticularly striking Kimbali in dark mahogany, Colonial style, of the latest pattern. A little different from anything ever shown heretofore.

A superb Story & Clark in rich, dark, Hingarian ash, elabotately carved and handsome in the extreme, a superb reminder of the grandeur of our own Forestry building; another elegant mahogany Kimball, Gothic style, in a most original pattern, entirely out of the ordinary, and truly artistic.

A magnificent Hobart M. Cable, in beautiful mottled walnut, with extravagant "Empire" top, three-panel effect, handsomely carved. A Chickering in massive, solid mahogany case, a three oval panel effect, with sweeping trusses and novel receding fallboard; a Weber, Chippendale effect, dainty, refined and superbly fluished. Space does not permit of further descriptions. Suffice it to say that every one is the most beautiful of its kind every shown.

shown.

All are to be bought now at a positive reduction. Tawill pay you to select and purchase that Christmas piano now. All are sure to go quickly, owing to the nearness of the bolidays. Coupled with these price reductions are easy payments. If you like. Attend to this today, for you will have the advantage of choosing from the large assertment. Come, write or telephone Eilers Plano House. The biggsst, busiest and best. El Washington, corner Park (Eighth) street.

sibly could by the second Saturday in December, when the commission will hold another meeting and take action on what-ever offers have been presented by that

Only one substantial offer was received yesterday, which was of \$500 from Wake-field & Co. for the Foreign Exhibits building, which was not entertained.

President Myers, in referring to the sale

yesterday, said:
"So far as selling the buildings is concerned. I have not the slightest doubt that we can do it, provided we are willing to wait long enough. It is the long wait involved that is not to the liking of the commission, which wishes, to finish its work as quickly as possible, and make its reports to the state."

The disposal of the Fair buildings is practically all that remains of the commission's duties, and upon the consummation of a deal whereby the structures are disposed of, the commission will be disvesterday, said:

disposed of, the commission will be dis-solved. The department of exhibits is the only

STATEMENT FROM DRAKE

Controversy With Mr. Hutchinson Over Deschutes Irrigation Lands.

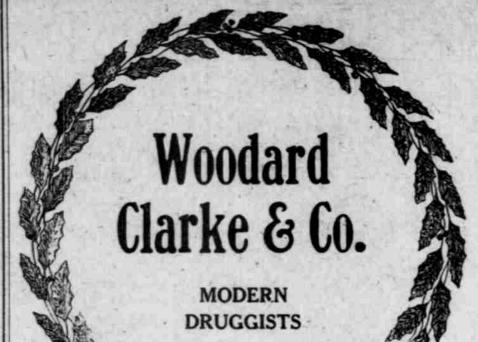
PORTLAND, Nov. 34.—(To the Editor.)

This morning's paper contains an article over the signature of C. C. Hutchinson, who signs himself as Land Commissioner of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power Company, in which he evidently designs to mislead and influence opinion against me in certain disputes and litigation now pending. It consequently is no more than fair to request you to present the other side of the question.

Mr. Hutchinson's contention that the posting of some water notices on the banks of the Deschutes River some five or six years ago without any diversion or beneficial use, constitutes a valid appropriation or secures any rights, is too absurd to warrant comment.

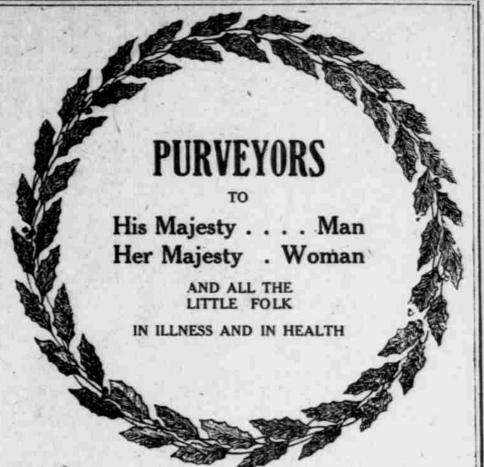
It is also needless here to discuss the technical defects of his company's new filings, but in an enterprise like this, when thousands of people are dependent on their validity, the necessity of the statute bring strictly compiled with is obvious.

In regard to the present friction between



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Anti-Freezing Mixture

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These busy days the minds of many of us dwell most on the approaching Christmas season, but the prescription department moves on in the same way-just systematic as a Swiss - accuracy, dependability, quality. We call for prescriptions and deliver without extra charge.

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Bronze and German spun brass in odd and Oriental shapes, single, double and triple globes; color decorations in heavy glass inlaid. Our own importation, and positively the only ones shown this side of Chicago. Exclusive hall, dining-room or library decoration-splendid lights, just a few left, make a selection now. They are selling at cost because we need the room\$8.10 to \$24.85

The metal alone is worth this much.

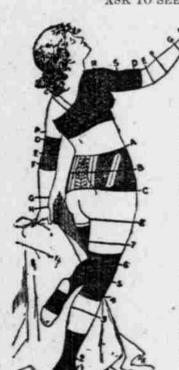
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-	Nappy, 5-inch, regular \$2.00; special \$1.33
	Nappy, 6-inch, regular \$2.85; special\$1.97
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	Berry Bowl, regular \$6.50; special
	Water Bottle, regular \$5.50; special \$4.29
	Candelabra, regular \$42.00; special
	Finger Bowls, set of 6, regular \$9.95; special \$6.85

BACK FROM INSPECTION D. D. Clarke Studies Water Mains in Other Cities.

tion at that point, also obstructing use of the land and stream, for logging operations, all done in defiance of my protests, and that for this I enjoin them.

In excuse, they allege a preposterous claim of right there, by reason of the original contract, which was long ago closed up, and ignoring the fact that they sever within the life of the contract or since have requested any auch right of way, or intimated such a claim.

He seeks to create the further impression that, by reason of this injunction, I am retarding and interfering with work on their contract with the state, though he knows full well that such is not the case, and that they are at liberty at any time they see fit to proceed with work on the legitimate route designated and specified in their contract.

I seek only to prevent wanton injury through deliberate and defiant trespass upon my private property; and where in doing so they wholly and unnecessarily go outside of their contract. D. D. Clarke, chief engineer of the City Water Department, returned at 6 o'clock last night, over the Southern Pacific, from a trip of four weeks' duration, in the course of which he visited Seattle, Minneapolis, St. Patil, Chicago, Rochester, Boston, New York, Paterson, Newark, Pittsburg, St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver, Sacramento, Oakland and San Francisco.

His missient related to an inspection of riveted steel and cast iron for water-main purposes, with a view of determining which of the two materials should be recommended for adoption by the Water Board when it comes to consider bids for the proposed main from the Mount Tabor reservoir to Highland. Proposals for the main will be opened at 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

welcome visitors at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. It has served its purpose, but the members wish to costinue the organization, and these annual meetings will be the means of holding it together.

A short programme was given early in the evening, or which the chief number was an address by Professor James P. Ewing, of Portland Academy, on "Evacuation day," in which he gave a graphic description of scenes in New York during the Revolution. Mrs. Diga Bortsh sans several solos, and Miss Louise Forsyth read "Pauline Paviovna," a Russian story.

Ex-Mayor George H. Williams, president of the society, presided, and Charles T. Tinker and M. W. Stevenson were in charge of arrangements.

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meeting of the society, which will hereafter be the only regular meeting of the
year. The society, like many of the other
state societies, was formed principally to
welcome visitors at the Lewis and Clark become conviction for violation of the prohibition law carries with it a jail sentence. Judge Cleiand postponed the passing of sentence to ascertain if Grimes had ceased selling liquor, and on three occasions caused an officer to be sent out to investigate. The report in each instance was that Grimes had closed. Conse-



THE LADIES OBJECT e a gummy and sticky hair dressing, or me that is full of sedimentary chemicals atended to dye the hair. The marked preference for a dainty dressing, partic-larly one that overcomes excessive oillpreference for a dainty dressing particularly one that overcomes excessive olli-ness and leaves the hair light and fluffy.

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