

SCRIBER'S FORGERY PRESENTS PUZZLE

Evans Will Not Explain Note to Which Cashier Signed Thomson's Name.

ALWAYS PAID INTEREST

Motive of Official of La Grande Bank in Failing to Sue for Collection Is Veiled in Mystery.

Returning yesterday from La Grande, where he went to investigate the failure of the Farmers & Traders National Bank as a result of which Cashier J. W. Scriber is under arrest...

Never Sued for Collection. Mr. Evans declined to give the cashier's reason for forging Thomson's name...

DEATH OF MRS. BERGER Came to Oregon on Last Trip of Steamer "Brother Jonathan."

Mrs. W. P. Berger died at her home, 461 Seventh street, this city, October 12, and was buried at Riverview cemetery on Wednesday.

Inspector Was Completely Fooled. Scriber continued to pay the interest on this forged Thomson note...

DEMOCRATS GET ACTIVE Central Committee Sends Out Speakers to Address Voters.

At a meeting of the Democratic County Central Committee last night it was decided to conduct a thoroughly active campaign of public speaking during the concluding two weeks of the Presidential campaign.

PUTER ON C. A. SMITH Says He Knew All About Fraudulent Timber Transactions.

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 17.—(To the Editor.)—A person in Spokane, signing himself James A. Nowell, has seen fit in your issue of today to rush to the defense of C. A. Smith...

PERSONAL MENTION. A. Feldenheimer, who has been in New York for the past two weeks on business, returned to Portland the early part of the week.

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JAP POACHERS FIRED ON Russian Guard Uses Drastic Measures at Copper Island.

VICTORIA, Oct. 17.—The steamer Empress of China, which arrived this morning, brought silk valued at \$1,000,000 from Yokohama and 408 passengers, including 354 Chinese, mostly through passengers. News was brought of heavy losses in Tokio and loss of life, owing to inundations following unusually heavy rains.

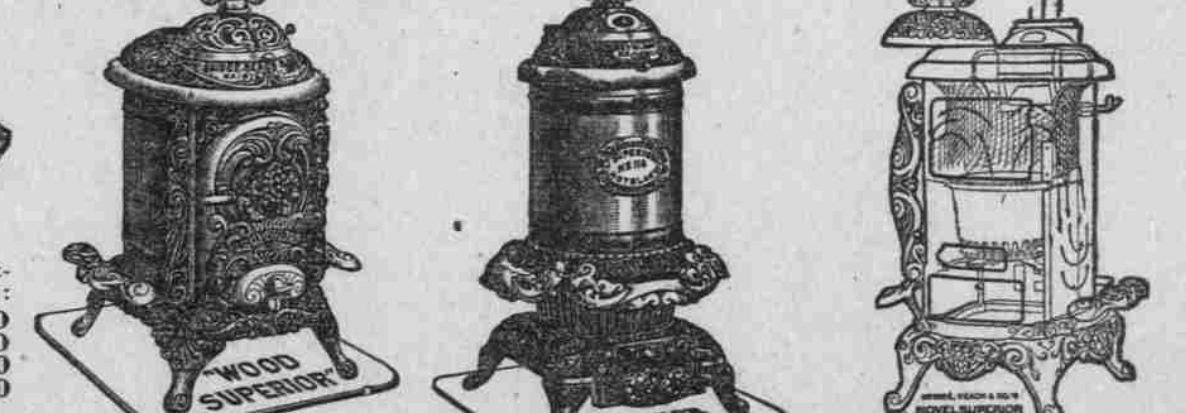
Suppressed reports of raids by Japanese sealers at Copper Island have been made public with the return of the Japanese sealing fleet. In April last, Japanese schooners appeared off the rookery and landed a raiding party. While the sealers were clubbing seals on the hauling grounds, Russian guards appeared and fired on them, driving off the raiders. The sealers returned and surprised the village of Clinka, where

most of the guards live, on Copper Island, one of the Commanderofski group. The guards went away and the Japanese sacked and looted the village. The schooner Miyo Maru, one of the vessels engaged in the raid, afterwards was seized, seven miles from the island, by the cruiser Shika.

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