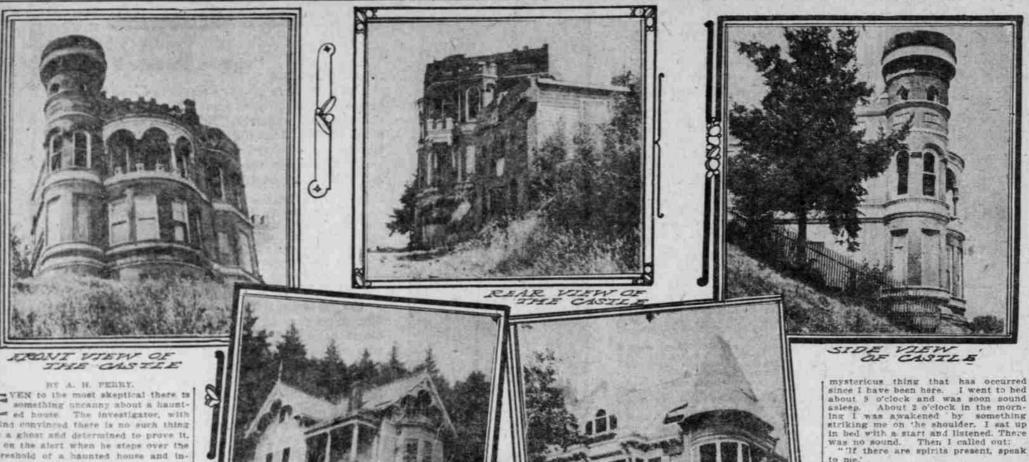
SCORE OF PORTLAND HOUSES ARE GHOST HAUNTED

Strange Manifestations Prove Riddle Past Man's Power to Solve, Declared Investigator.



EN to the most skeptical there is nething uncanny about a haunt-house. The investigator, with ming convinced there is no such thing as a ghear and determined to prove it, is on the slort when he steps over the threshold of a haunted house and incolumnarily starts at the sound of his footsteps reverberating through the empty chambers and desolate halls, the ramparts and runways of prowling

specks. He pricks up his ears to catch the slightest nolles that might indicate superfiatural manifestation and listens. Infently for the clanking chains, whispering voices, shuffling feet and moans of distress. He furtively glances from right to left to see that mystic shadows do not approach from behind or any angle without his knowledge and strains his cres peering into the darkest corners, hoping that a filt-kering light will appear and diffuse into the haay form of a spirit from the other world.

Fenr Is Omelpresent,

No investigator ever opened the loss door in a haunted house with the outchalance he would in his own home or the porpose of selecting a suit from is wardrobe. All of his faculties are keyed up to the highest tension al-though he fears no violence from spec-tral hands for his intrusion. He laughs at his timidity, but, try as he will, be cannot shake off a peculiar restless Feeling that comes over him the Instant again. The realizes he is alone in the slient, diluphitated, haunted house. Flastering fallen from the ceiling far ab

erities of a haunted house are always perfect and every sound seems to be intensified.

Few persons in this age of enlightment believe in ghosts or acknowledges such belief, yet nobody wants to live in a house they are supposed to inhabit. There are in Portland a score or more of haunted houses crumbling and falling to pieces for lack of tensnis and repair. There are a few houses in the city, parent to the description of the valley.

Weird tales of how the castle became haunted, what happened to induce that the occupants are the want to sell and move out.

Specks Tamper With Gas Meter.

On the East Side is a handsome rest-

On the East Side is a handsome restdence occupied by the owner, that is said to be haunted. When no one is at home mysterious lights have been seen to filt from room to room and the menthly gas and electric light bills are often augumented, due to mischlevous speaks that estensibly turn on all the lights for the fun of seeing the met-ers go round. It is also said of this haunted house that even while persons are in it, windows soldenly fly and strange sounds, that cannot be accounted for are heard in all parts of the building. Only the owner, a few of her close friends and immediate neighbors know of these superhuman manifestations for the owner wants to sell. The secret is well guarded, for let it become advertised that spooks

Skirting the base of Kings Heights is a group of so-called huunted houses. One of these residences was abandoned when half finished about 20 years ago. The neighborhood gossip has it that three workmen lost their lives in rapid succession while the house was under construction and the owner stopped the work, as he and his family decided not to live in it because of superstition. But a more material explanation of the abandoned house is that litigation tied up the property in such a way that in the Oukland and San Francisco yards it could not be completed.

it could not be completed.

Not far from this half-finished house at hand that they consider the situation a beautiful residence that has remained practically vacant for nine mained practically vacant for nine Many of the San Francisco and Oakhood that the owner has offered a half year's rent free to any one who would but when strikers are leaving the live in the house, simply to break the of hostilities, it is another good hooden, and that families that accepted that they have thrown their har the offer, moved out in two or three in the air and are ready to quit.

The visitation of the supernatural in this house consists of peculiar noises. One story is pold of how a number of workmen in the vicinity decided to become investigators and agreed to rat their lunch in the house each noon. The men ate in the house regularly for a week and neither saw nor heard anything out of the ordinary. Then, one day while they were munching their noon meal, scoffing at ghosts and ridicating those who believe in them, there was a hurried exit, dinnerpalls were kicked over in the rush for the door and the med fairly tumbled over each other into the street.

The story goes that the men were nearly frightened out of their wits by a sudden disturbance of sticks and boards in the hallway just above their mads. The pieces were apparently being hurled through the building, crash-

left the house, never to eat there

Castle Haunt of Ghosts. displicated, haunted house.

Finatering fallen from the ceiling and walls crunches under his feet and is "The Haunted Castle," known to the sound is magnified a hundred fold.

The wind whisks in through the broken land. Against the steep hillside, shorn and walls crunches under his feet and the sound is "The Maunted Castle," known to the sound is magnified a fundred fold. The wind whisks in through the broken land, against the steep hillside, shorn windows, ratifling the loose paper like muskeiry. The stairs creak and seem to give way under the most cautious tread. Ordinary breathing becomes tread. Ordinary breathing becomes tands, dignified and lonely. The sudible as resultation involuntarily broken windows, loose flapping cornicas of a haunted house are always perfect and every sound seems to be in-

months and probably years. They re-ply been "told" that the castle is turned to their half-finished meal, collected their scattered dinner-palls and houses in the city, where supernatural left the house, never to eat there manifestation has assumed definite. shape, sound or color, the castle main-tains the exclusive reputation of never having had its ghosts identified. Some say the ghosts, in flowing shrouds, drift through the air from room to

room; some say the ghosts are never seen, but are heard carrying on con-versations; some say the ghosts appear to pass most of their time running up and down stairs, the constant shuffling of feet on the steps indicating their of feet on the steps indicating their presence; some any mysterious gusts of wind will blow your hat off when there is not a zephyr outside. No one knows which theory is correct, but all agree that the castle is haunted.

HOUSE ABANDONED

presence of a ghost.

If requently hear voices that sound as if a conversation is taking place in the castle against public intrusion he has devoted his time to art and the spooks have never molested him.

Mr. Gegoux is a man below the ordinary size and his hair and mustache are plentifully mixed with the sliver that marks the other side of the crest of life. He is very quiet, although he exhibits high nervous temperament that determination and close application to his work has subdued. When asked how he came to make his home in the mystic surroundings and if he had been molested by spooks, his clear gray eyes twinkled and he laughingly said:

"Ghosts! I haven't seen any and never heard any. I have always been an investigator of mysticism and the supermatural along with my painting. The Castle seemed to afford the dual opportunity of offering an ideal place to favestigate the presence of the supermatural and paint. I am a skeptic, but at the same time my mind is always open to conviction—it has always been my desire to ascertain the truth. Besides having the excellent opportunity to investigate the "Haunted Castle' by living in it day and might, I am up here where it is quiet, where no one disturbs me and I can work to the best advantage.

"The first night I spent in the Castle something happened that stariled me for a few minutes and that is the only

Specter Awakens Sleeper There was no reply. I repeated my request several times, but there was no answer. Then I got up and looked around. I could find nothing. Satisfying myself that there was no living thing in the room, I went back to bed, thinking it might have been a dream and still convinced that something material had awakened me by striking my shoulder. Next morning

striking my shoulder. Next morning made a careful inspection of the room and found a peculiar track in the plas-tering that had fallen from the ceiling. trions that had taken from the ceiling. It looked like a rat's track, only it was too large. Then I plugged up all the holes where an animal might enter and that was the last appearance or presence of a ghost.

"I frequently hear voices that sound as if a conversation is taking place in the half greatly and the property of the prope

It is said that Mr. and Mrs. M. H. DeYoung and their two daughters, while in the Far East, are to attend the Durbar at Delhi, where, amid pomp and pageantry, King George and Queen May are to receive the homage of their Indian subjects and be crowned as the Emperor and Empress of India. What other Californians will be present is hard to say—probably only a handful.

A local steamship agent says that his the public. The waters have great curompany has booked for the Durbar direct from England Maxine Elliot, the actress who is so popular in local so-clety, the Count and Countess of Granmatter out. Anyhow, from the days of the aborigines, it is said great cures of rheumatic and similar troubles have nard and Mr. and Mrs. John Ward, Mrs. Ward and the Countess Grannard are cousins of Jennie Crocker. They wanted her to go with them, according to local society chatter, but she preferred been made there. I can only say that the taste of the water, which is quite warm, almost hot, is far better than the average from mineral springs. And the long drink I took of it surely did me more good than harm.

And now back to the town, back to to spend the Winter in her own home Chinese poets will be real music. The Countess is this niece. The DeYoungs are on the best of terms with these the hotel question, and then the end. There are two good hotels there, the Central and the O. K. The former is where the drummers stop, the latter is the farmers' headquarters. I stopped clusion that it is the stirring music of the American bands that brings into life our National industry and genius. Is pleasant as they might wish for.

STRIKERS LEAVE SAN FRANCISCO AND RAILROAD THOUGHT VICTOR

Appointment of William Sproule to Head Southern Pacific Pleases Californians—Prison Board Abolishes Form of Inquisition—Ishi, Only Indian of Tribe, May Start Bank Account With Dimes Saved.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 4.—(Special.)

The back of the railroad strike in California is broken. This will probably not be admitted by the railroad men themselves but non-partisans who infest the premises and the property are closely in touch with the situation will become dead on the real estate say that there is no more strike worth the mention and that the Southern Pa etfic Company has won out in its fight. There have been during the past

> week some disturbances of a local and trifling nature at San Jose and San Luis Obispo, but they have been more exasperating than anything else. From good authority the report

comes that the Southern Pacific has given orders that the number of guards

and strikers have left the city and gone elsewhere in search of employment. Technically speaking, one might say that the strike was still in effect, but when strikers are leaving the scene of hostilities, it is another good proof that they have thrown their hands up in the six and are ready to cuit.

President Sproule Pleases.

No little comment has come about in railroad circles as regards the appointment of William Sproule as the new president of the Southern Pacific in this territory. Old rallroad men declare that this is a complete reversal of conditions that existed under Harriman. Instead of one central head to whom all of the authority was delegated, there of the authority was delegated, there are now local presidents in the various sections of the country, who have the authority and will be held responsible for results. In the past, railroad matters in California have been left to subogdinates, with the actual head of affairs 2809 miles away. That brought about an endloss amount of red tape, in addition to doing away with such conditions, the new state of affairs will conditions, the new start of affairs will tend to bring the railroad company closer to the people, something that in this day and age is much to be de-

wrists buckled behind his back in Young China to cut loose from the old handcuffs. He was then backed to a apron-strings. wall under a hook several feet above his head. A rope was run through the iron bracelets and the victim was lifted from his feet and triced up to the hook like a butchered steer.

Ish! to Be Alone.

With the weight of his whole body twisted almost out of their sockets, the onvict was compelled to hang, so it 15 minutes. He was then lowered for 15 minutes' rest and hoisted for another period, until his spirit was broken or the length of punishment meted Ishi, the Northern California Indian

and supposed to be the only one of his tribe left, who is under investigation at the University of California, gave his second reception this last week and instructed the crowd of visitors in the art of making obsidian and flint arrowheads, such as were mad by any rowheads, such as were used by our prehistoric ancestors to obtain their food and fight their enemies.

Ish's tools consisted of an awl and a rusty file. With the awl he would flake and chip the hard obsidian until

it assumed the proper shape and then he would finish it off with the file. When each arrowhead was completed Ishl would hold it up and smile. The Indian is beginning to learn a few words of brglish and he is also thinking of starting a bank account. He has several dollars saved in nickels.

cuarters and dimes that have been given him by visitors, Chinese Musician Appointed. go home. He has a cabin of his own on the banks of the Sacramento River

above Redding. To this the college people have given their consent as they have it figured out that ishi, left to bis own resources, will the more quick. on the word of those best versed in Chinese affairs. Theodore Vogt, a San Francisco composer and bandmaster, has been appointed official musician

apron-strings.

Vogt will carry in its most inspirational and concrete form the spirit of the Western world into the land of the troubled Manchus. He is expected among other heavy duties to take some Chinese melody and work it into an anthem of the republic.

Chinese students and observers in the various connections of West, it is said, have come to the con- | Reid and with the latter

KLICKITAT VALLEY ONE OF THE FAVORED SPOTS

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and, the residents say, much to the ben- | tice of that would take an article in efit of the community. There are five nice churches, and two congregations not having houses of worship of their own. Also the usual complement of lodges and secret and semi-secret societies. There are two strong banks, Brooks Brothers and the Goldendale State Bank. There is also a bank at the near-by town of Centerville. There are two department stores, Ledbetter-Chandler Company and S. Waters, and these stores carry very large stocks. A large planing mill and lumber yard, a flouring mill, drug stores, hardware stores—in fact, all manner and branches

lice of that would take an article in itself.

Klickitat has grown very rapidly of fact years. In 1590 the population was 5157. In 1590 this had swelled to 6467. But the present "good times" came on then, and in 1910 the census gave them 10,180 showing increase of 52 per cent. That is a mighty good showing, but the country is filling up now more rapidly than ever before. People are beginning to see that land prices are flow and the opportunities there great. And the beauty of it is, the beauty of it is, the beauty of the census gave them 10,180 showing increase of 52 per cent. That is a mighty good showing, but the country is filling up now more rapidly than ever before 10 w and the opportunities there great. And the beauty of it is, the beauty of the census gave them 10,180 showing increase of 52 per cent. That is a mighty good showing, but the country is filling up now more rapidly than ever before 10 w and the opportunities there great. And the beauty of it is, the beauty of it is, the beauty of the census gave them 10,180 showing increase of 52 per cent. That is a mighty good showing. But the present "good times" came on them, and in 1910 the census grown very rapidly of late years. In 1590 the population was 5157. In 1590 the population was 5167. In 1590 the popul Chinese Musician Appointed.

Sam Batwe, the Indian who has been acting as interpreter, bus decided to go home. He has a cabin of his own on the banks of the Sacramento River place shows business thrift. There are three good newspapers, above the aver age for news and editorial abilitries are the Agriculturist, W. J. Stoeditor and owner; Independent, O. Nelson at the helm, and the Sentinel, for which f. H. Bath is responsible. I give them in their alphabetical order so as to show no favoritism, not knowing which is the oldest of the three or the best. I know they are all well silled with town and county news, and the their advertising pages show a healthy

this day and age is much to be designed against walls and doors, and, when a twe-by-four scantiling and a gas-pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The last remnant of the Spanish The last remnant of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The last remnant of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of the Spanish The pips were seen cavorting at the head of pups were seen throws at the received his commission this week. It was with their adverting of the Chinese republic now in the third of the Chinese republic now in the third of the Chinese republic now in the third of the Ch

Paupers Are Absent. I gleaned some facts from the Assessors' books, but like all tax lists sessors' books, but like all tax lists they are so low as to be misleading. These records show that the county has 6416 horses, 1152 mules, 1808 dairy cows, 2852 cattle exclusive of milk cows, 34.-053 sheep and goats, 437.720 pounds of porkers (number not given, as hogs are assessed by weight). The total valuation of the county as set down on these books is \$10,931.708. That seems a very creditable showing for a population of only a little over 10,008. Well, the pauper class is not well represented lation of only a little over 10,600. Well, the pauper class is not well represented in Kilckitat County. The climate is not congenial, the surroundings not auspicious, society is opposed to the thriffices and the profligate. Neither are there any very rich people there. Mr. Gillett is a man of much wealth, but he can scarcely be called a resident of the county, although he spends much of his time there, and is a mighty valuable man for the country. But his real home is in California.

Well, like a recent story in the Sat-

been the same, but with one draw-back—I had the material for 20 col-umns and was ordered to use but five. I hope it will point the way to many people to go and see what I saw, but instead of writing about it remain and Join in the movement towards pros-perity which awaits every intelligent, thrifty, honest and industrious man or woman who goes there—and stays

LIVE CAMELS ON STAGE

New York Evening Telegram. camels Four chocolate-colored trolled up Central Park West about 8 o'clock at night. They pretended not to be impressed by the crowd of admiring gamins at their heels. They even ignored all the other excitement they created. But they glanced ap-precintively over the park, which in its present impoverished condition re-minded them of their desert home.

"The Garden of Allah" Will Have

Real Desert Atmosphere.

een the same, but with one draw-

minded them of their desert home.

Then they turned in at the stage door of the Century Theater and rehearsed their roles in "The Garden of Allah" for the first time.

Naturally they feel a little lofty and are inclined to look down on their conferes, the Barbary sheep, the desert goats and such small fry.

One little kid skipped about under their feet and presently found his mother.

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Writer Loses 30 Cents.

arday Evening Post, the writer is brone to "ramble," in so big a tale as he story of the Klickitat Valley. But to Mr. Hickens, the author of the play. But the first camet ignored the re-mark. He plays the lead among the camels and classes himself with Mr. Waller. Miss Mannering and the other the story of the Klicking the story of the land." The valley is made up of several valleys—Pleasant Valley, Swale district, Dutch flat, String street, Croflon prairie, Blockhouse and others. But to prairie, Blockhouse and others, But and really all stage are only separated by the rolling and really all stages. He is the stage manager, recognized the familiar signs. He is the stage manager, recognized the familiar signs. He is the stage manager, recognized the familiar signs.

these are only apparated by the rolling nature of the country, and really all go to form the one grand valley which lies along the Little Klickitat River. "Here," he yelled, "you boys with the sun, come up there! Why don't you come up with the sun?" Whereupon the sun broke and the stage was gradually illuminated. The camel felt better. "We call that scene "The Spirit of flows into the Big Klickitat 18 miles

And another fact (or one of hun-dreds) was overlooked, and that is a the Desert." Sald George Tyler, "and

fine mineral spring about eight miles I think we've got it."
west of the town of Goldendale, and about the same distance north of Centerville. It is in the Blockhouse dis-"Makes me homesick for Sahara," terville. It is in the Blockhouse dis-

trict and will one day be a famous remurmured Edward Morange, the scenic sort. A good hotel has been recently erected there, and it is now open to

artist. He spent a month studying the scenic effects in the Sahara.

Mr. Waller looked at the rolling waves of belted sands.

"Makes me think of the Aflantic, when I crossed a week ago." he said. the public. The waters have great cur-ative and recuperative powers. An analysis shows they contain silics, iron oxide, lime, magnesium carbonate, so-dium, potassium, chlorides and sul-phates. The medicos can figure the The memory seemed not altogether

The memory seems.

The placated camels merely walked through their parts. There was a little uncertainty about their performance, but they will improve as they grow accustomed to the lines—

Home of Thackeray Stories.

London Chronicle.

The most interesting of all Thackeray shrines in London is 16 (formerly 13) Young street, Kensington, for there, in a room on the second story, overlook-ing an open space of orchards and gar-dens, he wrote "Vanity Fair," "Penat the former and the proprietors. dens, he wrote "Vanity Fair," "Pendesses Ahola & Hall, treated me fine. I had a bathroom attached, but as it there that he gave the famous parity to Charlotte Bronte, at which the Caroniy paid for it. They serve good lyles and many other notable folk were meals, and sure do a big business. And present, but which for some reason or meals, and sure do a big business. And present, but which for some reason or other proved such a dismai failure that in the Northwest. (He beat me out of 20 cents.)

My visit to their country was a real pleasure, my writing of this article has to amuse themselves as best they could. to amuse themselves as best they could.
The house is now marked by a memorial tablet, and Thackeray himself
seems to have anticipated that it would seems to have anticipated that it would have interest to future generations. J. T. Fields, in "Yesterdays with Authors." tells how on one occasion as the two walked down Young street together Thackeray paused before 13 and with mock gravity exclaimed: "Down on your knees, you rogue, for here 'Vanity Fair' was penned! And I will go down with you, for I have a high opinion of that little production myself."

English Bathing Coaches.

When George III used a bathing machine at Weymouth, a supplementary machine filled with fiddlers was sent into the sea to play the national an-them. This was at a time when bath-ing machines were still a new idea, so that majesty patronizing them was an occassion demanding extraordinary em-

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