

# EUGENE CITY GUARD.

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EUGENE CITY, OREGON

## EVENTS OF THE DAY

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

The Idaho mines, located in the Slocum district, British Columbia, have just declared a dividend of \$30,000. The owners of the property expect in future to receive a dividend of from \$15,000 to \$20,000 monthly.

The barge Somatra, the consort of the W. B. Arnold, from Chicago, with a load of railroad iron, foundered off Government pier, near Milwaukee. Four sailors were drowned. The captain, mate and cook were rescued by a life-saving crew.

Jennie Love was shot in the head and instantly killed by William Swanson in St. Louis. The testimony of several witnesses goes to show that the bullet which ended the woman's life was intended for William Lee, a negro with whom Swanson had been quarreling. Jealousy about the woman is the cause alleged.

A vicious St. Bernard dog attacked a party of school children in Marysville, Cal. Laura Baumann, aged 7, was bitten about the face and head and will probably die; Baby Kuehn, was almost torn to shreds, its arms and breast were terribly bitten, and it cannot recover. Albert Kuehn was bitten through the wrist, and will recover, unless rabies follows. A little girl was bitten in the leg, but will recover.

"Doc" Payne and Lon Beckwith, middle-weights, met in Cleveland, O., for a finish fight for \$250 a side and the gate receipts in Lavas's gymnasium. In the seventh round, when Payne was all but knocked out, the police burst in the doors and stopped the fight, arresting all the principals, seconds and referee. Two hundred spectators were in attendance, and only ten of them escaped, jumping from the windows. All of the patrol wagons in the city made trip after trip conveying the crowd, which contained many prominent citizens, to the station.

It is reported that Lewis Gimm, of Cleveland, O., the holder of the American 24-hour indoor bicycle record, is mentally unbalanced from the effects of his remarkable performance in that city last week. Gimm rode 486 miles and 1,115 yards in 23 1/2 hours, breaking the American record by more than 33 miles. He would have fallen from his wheel at the finish but for the judges, who noticed the movements of the rider and carried him from the track.

Manuel Gregory, colored, was shot in Chattanooga, Tenn., while attempting to rob a house. The bullet, fired at a distance of twelve feet, struck Gregory in the head and flattened out as if it had been made of paste. The negro is not seriously injured.

Hon. William Collins Whitney and Mrs. Edith S. Randolph were married at Bar Harbor, Me. It was an informal affair. There were no bridesmaids and no best man. The entrance to the church was a mass of roses, laurel hydrangeas and potted plants.

D. M. Browning, controller of Indian affairs, has made his annual report to the secretary of the interior. He says that with no outbreak or disturbance during the year, the progress of the Indians in general education and civilization has been uninterrupted and substantial. The main effort now, as for many years, must be to put the Indian upon his allotment, teach him to support himself, protect him from encroachment and injustice, and educate his children in books and industries.

The steamer Umatilla, from San Francisco to Puget sound, struck on the rocks off Point Wilson promontory, in Discovery bay, near Port Townsend. All of the passengers were landed safely by means of small boats. The starboard bow of the steamer was stove in badly and the steamer is leaking seriously, but rests above the water supported on the rocks. The cause of the disaster is attributed to the fog so prevalent in Northern waters at this season.

The Cuban junta has received an offer from an English syndicate of a loan of \$6,000,000 for \$60,000,000 payable in twenty years. President Y. Estrada Palma and the other members of the junta held a conference as soon as the offer was received. The president was asked what action was taken and stated: "We have taken no decided action as yet," he said. "We have received a number of similar offers from bankers, who see that we are almost certain to win, and we have them all under advisement. We will probably accept the best terms, the offer of the English syndicate seems to call for a very large interest, but the fact that they may never get it back must be considered. During the last year of the Mexican war for independence Mexican bonds sold for \$2.50 on the hundred."

The dredge Enterprise is now at Cascade locks engaged in clearing the sand from the upper entrance. The inner wall on the south side has been completed, and the concrete foundation for the north wall is done. Several courses of masonry remain to be laid upon this latter wall. It is the general feeling that the locks are nearing completion, and any further delay would be an unwelcome surprise. With the completion of this work, The Dalles expects to make rapid growth and attract capital from abroad.

The supreme court of Washington holds that an ordinance of the city of Tacoma, preventing barbers from pursuing their calling for compensation on Sundays is special legislation, and obnoxious to the provisions of the state constitution. It says this class of people is singled out while other people are allowed to pursue their work, which is strictly contrary to the object of the constitutional provision prohibiting special legislation.

Miss Clara Howard is working her way through the University of California by selling newspapers.

## A Touch of Womanly Grace.

The members of the party composed of federal generals who are touring the country in the interests of the Republican party unite in saying that the most pleasing incident so far of their journey was a delicate bit of courtesy shown by Mrs. Bryan, wife of the Democratic candidate for president, who, while the procession in honor of the visiting generals was moving past her house in Lincoln, Neb., displayed over her door a large portrait of William McKinley, tastefully draped in the national colors. It was a touch of womanly grace, beautiful as it was unexpected, and General Alger says that he will cherish it as a sweet recollection plucked from an acrimonious campaign until the end of his days.

Match Girls on a Strike. Rather than have their teeth examined and repaired, half of the 300 girl employees of Edwin Gould's big match factory at Passaic, N. J., have gone on a strike, and declare they will never work for such a horrid man again. Phosphorus, which is used in making matches, if allowed to act on decayed teeth, will eventually subject them to disease and leave them crippled for life. Damage suits may result. Gould, therefore, ordered the girls to submit to an examination by a dentist, but they refused.

Will Readjust Wage Rates. The Carnegie Steel Company, of Homestead, Pa., has notified its employees in the mills that a "readjustment" of the existing wage scale is desired by the company. This, the men say, means another cut in wages. Under the agreement with the workmen, each side is required to give a ninety days' notice of any change desired in the wages paid. The present scale expires January 1, when the new scale will be put into effect.

Storm on the Potomac. Reports from the upper Potomac show that high winds did great damage to property this side of the mountain. In addition to the wind, there was a cloudburst that soon changed the small tributaries into raging torrents, carrying away much farm property and washing away many bridges. On a short spur of the railroad leading to Berkley Springs, thirteen bridges were carried off.

The Powers Have Agreed. There is, says a London dispatch, very good reason for believing that an important agreement has been reached between the great powers and that all danger of a European war has, for the present, passed away. It may now be hoped that the danger has been conjured by diplomacy, which alone was capable of dealing safely and adequately with the problem.

Mines to Be Worked. Preparations are being hurried for the resumption of work in the Bison, Little Johnny, Mehala and Resurrection mines, at Leadville. At least 500 men are expected to go to work soon.

A Head-End Collision. Two freight trains collided at Philson, on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, 124 miles east of Pittsburgh, Pa., making one of the worst wrecks in the history of the road. Twelve trumps have been taken from the wreck, six of whom were dead. The other six are in a serious condition. The two engineers and firemen were injured seriously and one perhaps fatally. The crew of the fast freight train lost control of the train on a steep grade. It was going at a high rate of speed when it struck the other train, every car being thrown to a common center in the collision and ground to atoms.

It Was a Bold Plot. A plot to overthrow the government of Nicaragua and kill President Zelaya, has been discovered and frustrated. Some of the most prominent people are implicated in the plan, which was well prepared. Since the close of the last rebellion, in which Zelaya was victorious, his enemies and a majority of his former allies, namely, the conservatives, have been plotting to upset the government by force of arms. The barracks and palaces were to be assaulted simultaneously, and President Zelaya was to be assassinated. The barracks were to be blown up with dynamite in case the assault failed.

Another Big Deficit. A comparative statement of the receipts and expenditures of the government for the month of September shows the total receipts to have been \$24,884,244; expenditures, \$26,579,535, leaving a deficit for the month of \$1,695,291. The deficit of the three months of the present fiscal year is \$25,194,129, as compared with a deficit of \$9,884,658 in the corresponding months last year. Receipts for the last month show a loss as compared with September of last year of nearly \$3,300,000 from customs, and about \$580,000 from internal revenue.

Reviewing Stand Collapsed. During the parade at the Iowa semi-centennial celebration, at Burlington, Ia., the reviewing stand containing Vice-President Stevenson, Governor Drake, of Iowa, and staff, and many other prominent people, collapsed, throwing all to the ground and injuring thirty people. Vice President Stevenson and Governor Drake escaped with slight bruises.

Part of Fez Burned. A Tangier dispatch says: The Jewish quarter of Fez, the principal city of the empire of Morocco, has been burned. Several persons perished, and many were fatally injured. Five hundred of the residents of the burning quarter were compelled to flee in an uncler condition to the country until the flames were quenched. It is estimated that there were 10,000 Jews in Fez, out of a total population of 100,000.

Burned by Brigands. Advice from Belgrade say the brother of the Austrian consul at Ceres, Macedonia, who was carried off by a band of Bulgarian brigands some weeks ago, with a wealthy Greek landed proprietor and others, has been murdered with four of his companions, because the ransom of \$50,000 demanded by the brigands as the price of their liberty was not forthcoming.

According to the most careful computation, only one person in 10,000 of both sexes attain the age of 100 years, and six to seven in 100 the age of 80.

## WRECKED BY WIND

Desolation in the Path of the Hurricane.

HUNDREDS RENDERED HOMELESS

The Town of Cedar Keys Levelled to the Ground—Sixty-Seven Persons Killed in the State.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 5.—Communication with the interior is restored, and the news of the destruction of life and property by Tuesday's hurricane becomes appalling. Hundreds of persons are homeless and must suffer from hunger unless relief shall be quickly furnished. Reports to the Citizens from many different towns, including all of the important points in Levy, Lafayette, Suwanee, Columbia, Bradford and Baker counties, show that sixty-seven persons were killed, and sixty-two injured. These are the known casualties. To this total, probably a considerable number must be added to cover those not yet heard from.

The loss of life was greatest at Cedar Keys, on the Gulf of Mexico, where the hurricane entered the state. Over half of the known deaths occurred at that place. The destruction of valuable timber, turpentine trees, farm crops, phosphate works and buildings of every description in the counties mentioned forming a belt across the state from southwest to northeast, will aggregate hundreds of thousands—if not millions—of dollars.

Full and authentic advices from Cedar Keys late tonight show the almost total destruction of the town, and the loss of thirty-nine lives. This is believed to include the complete roll of the dead. At Shell Mound, a great pleasure resort near that place, a party of five men, three women and three children were camping out. Some survivors making their way home after the storm found eleven bodies strewn on the shore, under logs and brush. They were close together, which would indicate that they were simultaneously killed by the tidal wave. Eight other bodies have been found on the beach. Twenty fishermen are still missing, all of whom are probably dead.

During the hurricane at Cedar Keys, the water came up with the wind, and down the principal streets rushed a mad torrent, upon which floated houses, boats and debris of every description. While the tempest was at its height, the Bettelini house, the Schemmer house and John Sherill's residence took fire and were burned. The destruction of property was very great, the loss being estimated at \$250,000.

GREAT FISH STORY.

Four Hundred and Twelve Tons Were Caught in One Haul.

Seattle, Oct. 5.—A Port Townsend dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer says: The catch of salmon in Southwestern Alaska is about 30 per cent more than that of last year, and about equal to the peak of the preceding year. What is believed to have been the largest number of fish ever taken at one haul was made at Kasluk this summer. In one haul 75,000 fish were caught. Each fish averaged about eleven pounds, and the entire catch weighed about 412 tons. It is almost impossible for a person unfamiliar with fishing to realize the vast pile of fish in such a haul.

The Theater Hat Question.

San Francisco, Oct. 5.—Alfred Beaver, the manager of the Baldwin theater, thinks he has solved the feminine head-gear problem and that diplomacy in such dilemmas as his will prove better than force. The plan he has devised for persuading the ladies to remove their hats consists in the following protest, which, engraved on a card, will be presented on a silver salver to the woman who wears a high hat to the play in the future: "The management sincerely regrets any personal annoyance this may cause you, but must respectfully request that you remove your hat, as complaints have been lodged that it interferes with the comfort and enjoyment to which those seated back of you are entitled. (Signed) The Baldwin, San Francisco."

Report of the Astoria Health Officer. Salem, Or., Oct. 5.—J. A. Fulton, health officer of the port of Astoria, has filed with the governor his report for the quarter ending September 30. It shows that during July eight vessels entered and left, the sanitary conditions of each being good. Ten entries and departures are shown for August, one case of fever being found aboard, and one of scurvy. Disinfectants are reported used in the fever cases. During September fifteen vessels entered and cleared, and the sanitary condition of each is noted as good.

An Eight-Year-Old Murderer.

Zanesville, O., Oct. 5.—The 8-year-old son of Andrew J. Andrews, of Irville, secured his father's gun today, during the absence of the family, and, pointing it at his baby brother, fired, killing him instantly. The fratricide is not thought to be accountable.

Woman Beaten to Death.

St. Joseph, Mo., Oct. 5.—Advices were received here tonight of a brutal murder which occurred at Arko, a small town about thirty-five miles north of here. Mrs. Edith Bomley was found in her home dead, with evidences of a desperate struggle with her assailant. She had been beaten to death, but the murderer made his escape and nothing is known of him. Bloodhounds will be put upon his trail.

A Brewer's Present to the Pope.

Rome, Oct. 5.—The pope received in audience today John A. Bets, sr., the millionaire Philadelphia brewer, who presented his holiness with a large sum of money. Mr. Bets is a Lutheran, and a very liberal man. He had been traveling in Europe for several months.

San Francisco, Oct. 5.—The board of health today adopted a resolution directing the attorney of the board to have an ordinance passed by the board of supervisors forbidding expectorating in public conveyances and on the public streets.

## A HOLD-UP THAT FAILED.

A Deputy Marshal Was Aboard and He Killed One of the Bandits.

Albuquerque, N. M., Oct. 5.—An attempt was made tonight to hold up passenger train No. 2, of the Atlantic & Pacific, due here at 8:45, just as it was leaving Rio Puerco bridge, thirty miles west of here. The attempt was a failure, owing to the prompt action of United States Deputy Marshal Loomis, who shot one of the robbers dead and made it so uncomfortable for the others that they fled. Rio Puerco is only a pumping station with a telegraph office, in charge of the pumpman.

While the train was standing at the station, it was boarded by three masked men, who compelled the engineer to uncouple the engine and express car from the train and run them on to the bridge. The pumpman at once sent word to this city and the Atlantic & Pacific company sent a special train with officers to the scene. At midnight, the train arrived at Albuquerque. Conductor Sam Heady states that when the train reached the Rio Puerco tank Engineer Ross said that a pin in the engine was out of gear, but the thought he could go up the divide. The conductor thought not, and just as the engine was about to fix the pin three masked men jumped on the engine, when shooting commenced. A lantern was shot out of the hand of the brakeman, after which the engineer was told to uncouple the engine and the express car from the train.

Deputy United States Marshal Loomis, who has been in Arizona on the trail of the Southern New Mexico bandits, was on his return to this city, and he left the smoking-car when the first shot was fired. He took deliberate aim at one of the robbers, shooting him through the head. The man ran for 100 yards and then dropped dead. The other robbers retreated to the Malpais, where their voices calling their comrade could be heard.

Conductor Heady states that Loomis remained at Rio Puerco, expecting the robbers to return for their dead comrade, while Cade Selvy, special service officer of the railroad, who was on the train, met the posse of officers at Atlantic and Pacific Junction, and returned with the party to Rio Puerco.

The hold-up was a failure financially, the robbers securing no money. Loomis thinks that the hold-ups are the same gang that robbed the Separ post-office a few weeks ago, and have been terrorizing Southern New Mexico, and that the dead robber was the leader.

STRUCK IRON BY ACCIDENT.

A Chicago Man Makes a Valuable Discovery.

Chicago, Oct. 5.—Iron in unknown, but presumably large quantities, has been discovered in the sand on the lake shore off Waukegan. A gentleman while strolling along the shore at the place threw a small magnet on the sand. When he picked it up little black specks adhered to it. The owner of the magnet made a hasty examination of it and then hurried to notify the owners of the land of his find. For years the sand from that point has been used for plastering in Chicago and frequently the predominance of "black sand," as the iron grains are called, caused it to be thrown out on account of its great weight and dark color. A quantity of the iron grains were separated from the sand by a magnet and sent to an assayer. He reported that the iron was 69 per cent pure and was of first-class quality.

STOLE HER BABY BROTHER.

Rose Brohmer Has Her Own Ideas of Propriety.

Oakland, Oct. 5.—Rose Brohmer, the 16-year-old daughter of Matthew Brohmer, may be brought into court on a writ of habeas corpus if her younger brother, now demanded by the parents, but kept in seclusion by the girl, is not forthcoming.

The young woman's reasons for keeping her brother from his parents are accepted by the authorities as little short of remarkable. She became incensed at the conduct of her father after he had left his wife and home, and finding that her rebukes had no effect, decided to remove her younger brother from her father's influence. Some three years ago her parents were divorced, but subsequently became reconciled. Rose, however, declined to be a party to the reconciliation, and, taking her little brother, lived alone, defying them to interfere with her.

A Room in Football.

San Francisco, Oct. 5.—Frank Butterworth, the famous fullback of Yale, who has been engaged to coach the university of California team, has arrived from the East and will enter upon his duties this afternoon. A delegation of Berkeley students met the great football player, who was given an ovation. "Football is going to have a great boom this year all over the country," he said. "There are more good players than ever before and the college teams will be much more uniform. Like last season, there will be plenty of kicking and less mass play. The changes have made a marked tendency to popularize the pastime with the general spectator."

Fatal Row Over Politics.

San Francisco, Oct. 5.—Phil Reilly, an employe of the harbor commission, was shot and fatally wounded last night by William Brittan, a boatman. The shooting occurred in front of a saloon at Francisco and Powell streets, and was the outcome of an old grudge. About a year ago, Reilly and Brittan had some words over politics, which terminated in blows. Brittan got the worst of the encounter, and swore vengeance against Reilly.

Refinery Shuts Down.

Philadelphia, Oct. 5.—The Spreckles sugar refinery, operated by the sugar trust, has shut down for an indefinite period, owing to dull business. About 800 men are thrown out of employment. Other refineries in this city under the same management are not affected, but it is reported they will curtail their production on account of dull trade.

In the Nuremberg Chess Tournament, the young German, Dr. Lassar, fairly earned the honor of being the royal game.

## CAN WE RECEIVE THEM

Immigration Laws May Bar Out Armenian Refugees.

PHILANTROPISTS INTERESTED

Secretary Carlisle Is Investigating the Matter, and Will Exercise all Leniency the Law Allows.

Washington, Oct. 2.—The attention of Commissioner Stump, of the emigrant bureau, was today called to the movement looking to the colonization in this country of Armenian refugees. Commissioner Stump said Secretary Carlisle and himself had been fully advised of such a movement, and various appeals had been made from Lady Henry Somerset, Frances Willard and English and American relief associations, asking the cooperation of the government in furnishing these stricken people an asylum in the United States; but, while the sympathies of all good people must be aroused in their behalf, of course the government must enforce the laws as they exist. The matter was being investigated, and if any lawful means could be found, they would be exercised in behalf of the refugees. The law on the subject, however, strictly prohibits the landing in this country of all persons likely to become public charges, and also "any person whose ticket or passage money is paid for with the money of others, or who is assisted by others to come in."

Lady Henry Somerset, it is understood, inquired whether bonds would be received that these Armenians would not become public charges. A reply has been sent that the department cannot accept bonds, except under special circumstances, after thorough investigation of each individual case. It seems probable the law puts an insurmountable obstacle in the way of relief in the manner proposed.

"PRISON GATE HOME."

A Refuge for Ex-Convicts to Be Opened in Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 2.—A "prison-gate home" for ex-convicts will be opened by the Salvation Army at 17 North Clark street Thursday evening. Commander Booth-Tucker will be present, and work will also be begun on food and shelter houses for the unemployed.

Chicago will be the first city in the United States to have a refuge for discharged prisoners under Salvation Army auspices, though a similar institution is soon to be opened in New York. The army now has prison-gate homes in successful operation in Toronto, in England, Australia and South Africa. It is intended that the home, after it is once fairly started, shall be entirely self-supporting. Commodious quarters have been secured in the building which has been occupied by the men's training garrison. The latter will be located at some point in the heart of the city not yet decided upon. The Salvation Army is working in conjunction with the civic federation's bureau of charities, of which Dr. Ayres is in charge, and it is expected that the efforts in behalf of former prisoners will be extremely practical and prove valuable in reclaiming men assisted from paths of crime.

GAY SOCIETY WOMEN.

Seventeen Arrested in a Poolroom Raid in Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 2.—A woman's poolroom has been discovered and raided by the police. Seventeen women, all said to be members of South Side society, and attired in silk clothing and wearing diamonds, were arrested, together with a colored boy and an inspector for a telegraph company.

When the police broke into the poolroom in the building at 351 Thirty-third street, the occupants were busily engaged in examining the entry cards at Oakley, Windsor, St. Louis and the Ideal Park races and in placing bets. With the appearance of the police the room became a scene of pandemonium. Some of the women fainted. Others screamed and tied handkerchiefs over their faces.

In five minutes the police had collected cards dropped by the occupants containing the entries at the four racetracks, together with tickets for bets placed on the horses. The ticker was torn from the desk and telephone from the wall. The telephone, it was discovered, had a connection with another in the basement.

The patrol wagons were called and all the occupants were taken to the station, where an attorney was sent for, who produced bail for the prisoners.

Explosion in a Brewery.

Indianapolis, Oct. 2.—An explosion at the Indianapolis Brewing Company's plant, shortly before 1 o'clock, injured more than a score of men, five of them seriously, and caused a heavy loss. The first explosion was due to a leaking valve in the ammonia pipes. This was followed by a more powerful explosion, which shattered the building and tore doors from the hinges blocks away. The first explosion attracted a crowd, and the yard was full at the time of the second explosion.

Death of Mrs. A. H. McClure.

The Dalles, Oct. 2.—Mrs. A. H. McClure died yesterday at Mosier, fifteen miles west of here, of neuralgia of the stomach. She was 74 years old, and one of the pioneer residents of Oregon, having crossed the plains in 1852, and settled at Mosier in 1868. She left three children, her husband having died a year ago.

It is said that locomotives use a third of the coal mined in England.

Forty-Five Cent Wheat in Garfield. Garfield, Wash., Oct. 2.—Competition yesterday among the local grain buyers ran the price of wheat up to forty-five cents per bushel, and over 30,000 bushels were sold at this figure. Last year at this time farmers were obliged to sell at thirty cents to pay harvesting expenses. The price paid today is as good as fifty cents next spring to the farmers.

Statisticians estimate that the world's stock of silver coin amounts to \$4,000,000,000.

## TESLA'S LATEST INVENTION.

His New Electrical Oscillator at Last Perfected.

New York, Oct. 5.—Nikola Tesla has explained the principles of the electrical oscillator for which he has just obtained a patent. He has been working on the idea for ten years. "The object of my oscillator," said Mr. Tesla, "is to provide a simple, compact and effective apparatus for producing greater effects with existing circuits carrying direct currents. Practical electricity is too expensive. It must be cheapened so the multitude may have advantage of it. That is all I am aiming at."

"My new invention is simply this: In any given circuit I interpose a device in the nature of a choking coil in order to give the circuit a high self-induction. I also provide a circuit condenser that may be operated to make and break the circuit. Around the point of interruption I place a condenser to store the energy of the discharge current, and in series with such condenser I place a transformer which becomes the source of currents of high frequency."

"Inasmuch as the self-induction of the circuit through which the condenser discharges, as well as the capacity of the condenser itself, may be given practically any desired value, the frequency of the discharge current may be adjusted at will."

TALE OF HORRIBLE CRUELTY.

Idiotic Poor Farm Inmate Almost Starved Alive.

Norwich, N. Y., Oct. 5.—Floyd Abbott, deputy superintendent of the poor of Chenango county, has been arrested on a warrant issued by Justice McMahon, of Preston, in which town the county farm is situated. The complaint was made by Thomas Weaver, one of the most responsible men of the town, who lives at the county farm.

He says in an affidavit that Abbott attempted to bury alive George Macomber, an inmate of the idiot ward; that he forced Macomber into a grave in the county farm cemetery and held him there while the grave was partially filled, and until, in his struggles, his victim finally broke away and escaped. On another occasion Macomber was set upon and beaten by Abbott with a shovel and curuley cut and bruised. He was then compelled to strip naked and was thrown into the creek which runs through the cemetery.

Abbott pleaded guilty to the complaint, and made no attempt to explain or defend his actions. His fine was paid by his employer, Superintendent Sprague, and Abbott is still retained as deputy.

HARROWING TALES.

Town of Cedar Keys Said to Be Nearly Wrecked.

Pensacola, Fla., Oct. 5.—Railroad communication with the eastern and middle parts of the state has just been re-established, and harrowing tales are being received over the peninsula of Florida.

It appears that the storm left the gulf and struck the coast about Cedar Keys, which is said to be almost completely wrecked. From there it swept in a northeasterly course, its diameter being about forty miles across the state, doing fearful damage at the towns of Gainesville, High Springs, Newberry, Lake City, Bronsford, Callahan and many others.

Much damage is reported at Jacksonville, but no loss of life, as the center of the storm seems to have passed to the north of that city. The loss of property cannot now be ascertained, but it is very heavy, not only in the towns, but on farms, where the crops were destroyed.

JUDGE GRAY INDICTED.

Charged With Carrying a Concealed Weapon.

Astoria, Or., Oct. 5.—This afternoon the grand jury returned an indictment against County Judge Gray on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. The complaining witness was John Stephenson, one of the witnesses for the defense in the case of the Uniontown rioters. The incident that led to the complaint against Gray occurred in the early part of August, during the preliminary hearing of the case against the alleged rioters, and as the result of a heated argument between the county judge and Stephenson. The latter, Judge Gray asserted, was endeavoring to intimidate Jacob Jackson, the principal witness against the alleged rioters. Hot words followed, and Judge Gray exposed a six-shooter.

Judge Gray contends that he is a peace officer, and as such has a right to carry a weapon; furthermore, that he had received threatening letters a short time previous to his dispute with Stephenson.

Japan to Import American Cotton.

Waco, Tex., Oct. 5.—Mr. Tsurutani, of Kobe, Japan, is here with letters of introduction to local shippers. The object of his visit is to arrange for direct importation of Texas cotton to Japan. He says there are eighty plants in Japan for the manufacture of cotton goods, and other mills are to be established. Texas cotton will shortly be shipped from San Francisco to Tokyo on a Japanese steamship.

Robbed a Paymaster.

San Francisco, Oct. 5.—The China brings news of the robbery at Shanghai of the paymaster of the United States cruiser Boston of \$1,122 by two able seamen named Henriksen and Mooney, both from this city. The thieves escaped after their bold robbery, but were captured at Nagasaki.

The women of San Francisco are to give an educational and historical carnival, which will last during an entire week.

A Daring Burglar.

Pittsburg, Oct. 5.—It has just been learned that burglars entered the Hotel Norman, near Wilmerding, Pa., Sunday morning, and after chloroforming all the inmates, including eighteen guests, carried off \$10,000 in money, jewelry and silverware.

A Flouring Mill Burned. Montrose, Colo., Oct. 5.—The Farmers' and Merchants' flouring mill burned. The loss is \$50,000, with insurance of about \$25,000. Spontaneous combustion is supposed to have caused the fire.

## NORTHWEST BREVITIES

Evidence of Steady Growth and Enterprise.

ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

From All the Cities and Towns of the Thriving Sister States—Oregon.

Folk county warrants are at a discount.

The clerk of Lane county will receive bids until October 7, 1896, for keeping the county poor for one year. Prineville proposes to have four days racing, commencing November 1, and offers \$770 in purses, which are among the most liberal purses offered by any place in the Northwest circuit.

Game Warden McGuire has increased his duty to enforce the game laws in Linn county, and already two warrants have been issued. There is to have been a good many pheasants, shooting from the road, etc.

Ibex and mountain sheep have been seen this summer on the almost inaccessible cliffs and crags of Canyon Strawberry mountains, says the Canyon City News. In early days these kinds of game were quite plentiful.

Captain William Stevens, while trolling on Yaquina bay, caught a big salmon of the chinook variety. Captain Stevens is nearly 90 years of age, but he continues to pull his own boat, and enjoys the sport of fishing as well as in his boyhood days.

Mrs. F. H. Kearney, of Pacific, has recently returned from the Dalles, having won the distinction of being the first woman to ride across the mud wastes between Pendleton and The Dalles on a bicycle. Her husband was with her, and they rode with the Dalles Indians who rode into Harney county with the intention of doing a lot of hunting this fall were told to "take care" by the citizens. The citizens considered it good policy to leave the grizzled pioneers in possession of the wild game in Harney county's farms, and quietly departed.

Probably the largest salmon ever brought to the Coquille market, says the Herald, was caught on the lower river the other day. It weighed forty-five pounds dressed, and about six pounds gross. It was a rare variety for that section, a blueback or Columbia river salmon.

The cannery at Empire City is now receiving the largest catch of fish ever known to come into Coos bay. The night last week a Mr. Peterson caught what brought him the round sum of \$85, at the present low prices for fish—35 cents apiece for chinook salmon weighing from 30 to 60 pounds each.

The board of trustees of the Oregon Soldiers' Home held its regular quarterly session in Roseburg last week and examining claims and bills against the home. They inspected the home and the hospital, and approved the bill of John Hunter, contractor, for \$10,000, as per contract; recommended increasing the hospital at a cost not to exceed \$1,500, and that a barn be built at more than \$500.