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DROWNED OFF SMITH ISLAND

Particulars of the Disaster to the Passengers and Crew of the Clallam.

FORTY-NINE ARE KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN DROWNED.

A Night of Storm and Horror—Loss of Women and Children Due to Swamping of Boats After Leaving the Steamer—Tugs Were Almost Powerless to Rescue on Account of the Surging Seas.

Port Townsend, Wash., Jan. 11.—The steamer Clallam foundered shortly after midnight, a short distance from Smith's Island, about 15 miles from this city. About 50 persons, including 36 passengers, lost their lives.

List of the Lost.

Captain Thompson, Thomas Morrison, George Hison, A. Valdemers, Mrs. Rose, C. H. Joy, R. G. Campbell, W. C. Rockledge, W. Chennett, R. Turner, G. F. Jeffs, Isaac Hewitt, Miss Harris, Mrs. Charles Cox, Mrs. Romona, W. B. Gibbons, Eugene Hicks, P. Laplant, Mrs. R. Turner, Miss Bellies, E. Boulton, N. P. Shaw, Mrs. A. J. C. Gallackly, Guy Dennis, Charles Thomas, Miss Gill, R. Case, Mrs. Reynolds, L. W. Davis, Mrs. Thomas Sullins and two children, H. W. Laplant, Charles Green, H. D. Manley, Mrs. S. E. Boulton, C. W. Thompson, Miss Gallakly, H. Buckner, Miss Murry, C. G. Birny, E. F. Feoris, A. K. Prince, C. F. Johnson, Mrs. A. H. Laplant, Mrs. Leonora Richards, H. H. Swaney, Captain T. Lawrence, Ed Tennan, Guy Daniels, Mrs. Diprose.

The Survivors.

Deck department—Captain George Roberts, first officer; G. W. Downey, H. Arnold, F. Myers, R. Griffith, J. Jeffery, H. Johnson, J. Anderson, A. McKeen.

Engineers' department—Scott Jones, chief engineer; James Mattlock, fireman; John Atkins, oiler; Edward Parker, oiler.

Steward's department—J. R. Watson, steward; James Caldwell, Archie King, Archie Davis, William Jones, Ah Look, Juu Lang.

Purser F. C. Freer.

Passengers—J. Norris, William King, H. D. Bailey, Jack Sweeney, Charles W. Davis, John Davis, W. H. Grimes, William Le Plante, Edward Laumer, Thomas Soolius and T. Larson.

Eight Miles From Victoria.

The vessel had come within eight miles of Victoria when heavy seas broke in the deadlights, and the water rushed in, putting the fires out. Three boats were launched, filled principally with women and children, and two of these were seen to founder, all drowning, and the third is thought to have met the same fate.

The steamer drifted until 10 o'clock last night when the tug Holyoke, sent from here, came to her assistance and took the Clallam in tow. The passengers and crew had in the meantime hove the cargo overboard and kept three lines of men bailing with buckets, keeping about even with the incoming rush of water.

After the Clallam was taken in tow the water came in faster, and about 1 o'clock she went on her beam ends and filled fast. The Sea Lion had arrived meanwhile, and the two tugs set about saving life. Thirty-one were picked up from the steamer and from planks and rafts and brought here this morning at 9 o'clock. Captain Roberts and the officers of the Clallam, who stayed with the steamer to the last, were all saved. Captain Roberts says he thinks that he had 53 passengers and the crew numbered 32.

Women and Children Perish.

Seeing that all efforts were futile, the safety of the passengers, particularly the women and children aboard was looked after, and in boats properly manned all who desired were put off from the steamer.

The heavily laden boats were as corks, however, in the choppy sea, and one after another, after succeeding in getting away from the vessel, were either capsized or swamped, and as a result not a woman or child of all those aboard has lived to tell the tale. The apparent discrepancy in the numbers from the list of fatalities herewith is accountable to the fact that only such children as paid half fare were enrolled in the passenger list.

Tugs Attempt to Save Vessel.

Meanwhile word had reached Victoria of the Clallam's trouble, and tugs were sent to the rescue. The Richard Holyoke, in command of Captain Robert Hall, was the first to reach the Clallam, which was found to have careened partly over from the inrush of water, which had put the engines out of commission. The Holyoke reached the Clallam about 11 o'clock last night, and sent a hawser aboard with which she started to tow the steamer to safety.

Before all of the struggling people had been taken off the Clallam commenced to break up, and soon after went down, leaving a swirling eddy in her place on the waves.

All possible assistance to the rescued people was given by the two shipmasters and their crews, and the tugs hurried here, arriving at 10 o'clock. The passengers surviving and the remainder of the crew then took passage on the Dirigo bound for Seattle.

At the Inquest.

Victoria, Jan. 11.—Inquest over eight bodies recovered yesterday is being held today. Rigid inquiries as to the seaworthiness of the Clallam are being made. A fleet of half a hundred vessels, tugs, steamers and small boats is now patroling the vicinity of the disaster for more bodies.

Japanese in Texas.

Honolulu, Jan. 11.—Thirty Japanese sailed on the American liner Maru for Texas, to work in the rice fields. They are part of a large colonization scheme to replace negroes, who refuse to work in any considerable numbers in the malarious rice swamps since they can obtain employment elsewhere. The Japs will contract to work by the year, and as they eat practically nothing but rice and fish the cash outlay for their remuneration is hardly 40 per cent that which the negroes demand to stay.

DEATH OF GENERAL JOHN B. GORDON

RECORD AS A SOLDIER, ORATOR AND STATESMAN.

Was a Georgian by Birth and Education and Was One of That State's Most Gifted Sons—Was Wounded Eight Times During the Civil War—As Commander of Confederate Veterans Will Be Succeeded by Stephen D. Lee, of Mississippi.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 11.—Lieutenant-General John Brown Gordon died at his winter home near Miami, Fla., at 10:05 last night. His fatal illness, which overtook him last Wednesday, was congestion of the stomach and liver, following an acute attack of indigestion to which he has been subject.

Biographical Sketch.

The famous confederate leader, General John Brown Gordon, was was born in Upson county, Georgia, February 6, 1832, graduated at the State University, studied law and was admitted to the bar, practicing at Atlanta.

In September, 1854, he married Miss Fanny Haralson, the third laughter of General Hugh A. Haralson, of La Grange, Ga. The wedding took place on her 17th birthday, and when he was 22 years old.

In 1861 he entered the confederate army as captain of infantry and rose to the rank of lieutenant-general. At Appomattox Courthouse he commanded one wing of Lee's army and was wounded in battle eight times during the war, being severely wounded at Antietam.

In 1868 General Gordon was the democratic candidate for governor of his native state, and as he believed, was elected by a large majority, but his opponent, Rufus B Bullock, was awarded the office. General Gordon was a member of the national democratic conventions at New York, 1868, and at Baltimore, 1872, and was presidential elector for the state at large at the elections in 1868 and 1872.

In January, 1873, he was elected to the United States senate for six years, and took his seat there March 4, 1873, where he was recognized as leading member of the democratic party, and one of its best orators. He resigned May 20, 1880, was nominated for governor of Georgia by the Democratic convention July 28, 1886, elected October, 1886, re-elected two years later, and was elected United States senator, 1890, and served a full term. He was also commander of the confederate veterans.

General Lee Succeeds Gordon.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 11.—General Stephen D. Lee, of Mississippi, commander of the Army of the Tennessee, will succeed General Gordon as commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, pending the election at the reunion here next June.

SAN DOMINGO REBELLION.

Continues Unabated, But No Damage to American Legation.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The navy department received a telegram from the commander of the Newport at San Domingo, that the revolution continues, but nothing menacing. The American guard was withdrawn from the legation yesterday.

The state department received a cablegram from the minister at Montevideo saying Uruguay is passing through another crisis. The government party was attacked and put to flight their opponents. Several of the latter were killed and wounded.

FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY DEAD.

Dastardly Conduct of an Usher During the Iroquois Fire.

Chicago, June 11.—Testimony before the Iroquois inquest today is similar to that given before. One witness testified she appealed to an usher to assist her to escape and he threw her off. Fifteen members of the "Bluebeard" company, who have been held under arrest by the coroner, were released, their testimony having been taken.

One hospital death this morning brings the list of dead to 570. Several others are in a critical condition.

FOR NICARAGUA ROUTE.

Senator Morgan Loyal to the Substitute Provided for by Spooner Act.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The house committee on appropriations reported a legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill carrying $28,250,000.

Shortly after the opening of the senate today Mr. Morgan presented a resolution calling on the president to reopen negotiations with Nicaragua for the construction of an isthmian canal.

American Academy in Rome.

Rome, Jan. 11.—The king and queen today attended an exhibition by the pupils of the American Academy of Decorative Art and were profuse in their praise.

The Holland parliament has appropriated $1,750,000 for Krupp cannon.

One Thousand Cases.

Montreal, Jan. 9.—There are approximately 1,000 cases of typhoid fever in Montreal and half dozen smaller municipalities which join it on the three sides. In the city proper the number of cases is far less than in the suburbs.

Policemen are going from house to house distributing printed warnings urging householders to boil their drinking water and to make inquiries as to the condition of the dairies.

WHISTLER FOR BUTTER CREEK

FAVORS THE MALHEUR AND HARNEY COUNTY PROJECTS.

Twenty-four Million Dollars Available for Reclamation This Year—Government Operations in Umatilla County Now a Question of "When Will They Get at it?" Only—Is Full of Vast Possibilities for the Lower Umatilla River.

Chief Engineer Newell, of the reclamation service, has made public the report of Engineer Whistler, who was in charge of the investigation of the feasibility and advisability of government irrigation near Echo. He pronounces the project of diverting the water from the Umatilla river below Pendleton to irrigate the Butter creek region, possible. He also recommends the adoption of the Malheur river and Harney county projects. Newell's report shows that at the close of the present fiscal year there will be $24,000,000 available for the reclamation of arid lands. The Arizona and Nevada projects, which are now under contract, will use about $6,000,000 of this sum, leaving $18,000,000 to be used in other states.

Part of this amount will probably be used on the reclamation work in northern Montana in diverting the waters of Milk river.

Now a Certainty.

There has been much uncertainty as to the nature of Whistler's report on the Echo irrigation project. The fact that he has reported favorably upon it will probably result in the government constructing the ditch. The importance of striking while the iron is hot needs emphasizing.

Our representatives in congress should see that no stone is left unturned to have the government take up the work. It will not only result in giving a large number of men work whose money will be spent in this county and make times good, but it will result in a far larger measure of good. When the ditch is completed the vast stretches of unproductive sage brush land will be divided into small tracts of 20 to 40 acres and will furnish homes for hundreds of thrifty and industrious farmers. The sage brush land is rich and with the life-giving and vivifying water will yield rich returns to the farmer. Melons, corn, alfalfa, peaches, will all thrive there.

Nature has richly endowed this section both in soil and climate and with irrigation it will prove equal to the irrigated lands near Boise or Lewiston. Lands which could be formerly purchased for a few dollars an acre there are valued at $250 an acre.

No further proof of the richness of the soil is needed than the fact that from five to seven tons of alfalfa is now raised with one thorough flooding on Butter creek.

Another advantage of government ownership of irrigation projects is that if it is decided to carry it on it will be carried to a successful issue. There will be no uncertainty as to the completion of the project, no fears of abandonment and no extortionate charges for water, as there is too apt to be when some grasping individual or company secures control of such an enterprise.

It will take some years to complete, but it means an influx of a thrifty and desirable class of citizens who will add much to the wealth of Umatilla county.

CHILD KILLED BY LIVE WIRE.

School Boy at Lewiston Meets Instant and Awful Death.

Lewiston, Jan. 11.—Bennie Riggs, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Riggs, met instant death yesterday during the noon hour by coming in contact with a live electric light wire near the corner of Eighth street and Sixth avenue on Normal hill.

The lad was on his way to school and but a few moments before had received his mother's parting caress. At the intersection of the streets there are two electric light poles and the wire between these had parted.

The live wire extended from the pole to the ground on the Eighth street side and occupied a position across a pathway on a vacant lot at the corner of the Frank Morris residence. The boy evidently reached and picked up the wire with the intention of removing it from the path when he received the shock that caused his death. He fell to the ground across the wire and before the body could be removed it was severely burned.

WHAT BECAME OF IT?

Inquiry into Use Made of Anti-Trust Law Money.

Washington, Jan. 11.—The house today without debate unanimously adopted a resolution calling on the attorney-general for a full report of the dispensation of $500,000 appropriated by congress for the enforcement of the Sherman anti-trust law.

Trial of Whitaker Wright.

London, Jan. 11.—The prosecution of Whitaker Wright opened before Judge Longs today in the presence of a great crowd of those interested in the defunct London Globe corporation.

MARINES LANDED ON THE ISTHMUS

Indications That There Will Be Bloodshed Between Columbia and United States.

COLOMBIA HAS TROOPS ON PANAMA TERRITORY.

Believed at Colon That Colombia Intends to Fight Rather Than Withdraw Peaceably—Rumors of War Varied by Report of the Failure of a National Bank in Oklahoma—Bill for Relief of Sherman County.

Washington, Jan. 9.—The comptroller of the currency this morning says the National Bank of Alva, Oklahoma, will not open today, and he has appointed Bank Examiner Courtevant as receiver. The liabilities and resources, according to the November statement, is approximately $160,000.

Marines Landed at Colon.

Washington, Jan. 9.—A dispatch from Admiral Coghlin at Colon, today states the Dixie's marines landed, and that all is quiet.

WILL EXECUTE ORDERS OF COAL MINE OWNERS.

Wholesale Evictions in Colorado Camps by the Military in Defiance of the Civil Authorities—"Mother" Jones Very Ill With Pneumonia.

Cripple Creek, Jan. 9.—Colonel Vardeckberg and all the district post commanders held an executive council of war this morning and decided to ignore Judge Seels' injunction issued last night restraining them from interfering with or arresting strikers on vagrant orders. They will begin wholesale arrests of unionists today.

The strikers will be thrown into the bull-pen at Camp Garfield before any legal steps can be taken, and will then be loaded on special trains and deported from the county.

Wives and children of strikers who call strike-breakers scabs, or other insulting epithets, will also be arrested, bull-penned and deported.

Civil officers who attempt to serve papers will be treated likewise.

"Mother" Jones Has Pneumonia.

Trinidad, Col., Jan. 9.—The condition of "Mother" Jones who was yesterday stricken with pneumonia, is unchanged. She is 62 years old, making recovery doubtful. The mine workers are anxiously watching the bulletins.

INDICTED SIX.

Trying to Fathom the Murder of Mable Bechtel.

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 8.—The grand jury today indicted six who are alleged to have been implicated in the murder of Mable Bechtel, in October. The number includes the girl's stepmother and her three children, John, Charles and Myrtha, also Weisenberger and Eckstein, rival lovers of the girl.

BALTIMORE & OHIO WRECK.

Engines Smashed and Several Trainmen Killed.

Cumberland, Md., Jan. 8.—A Baltimore & Ohio double-header crashed into a freight at Davitt's creek early this morning. Both engines were demolished. Fireman Kefauver was instantly killed and Engineer Roberts died shortly after. Engineer Humphrey was seriously and perhaps fatally hurt and Fireman Conrad seriously hurt.

FIRE AT BALLARD.

Mills, Kilns and Shingles Burned This Morning.

Ballard, Wash., Jan. 8.—The shingle mill, dry kilns and 3,000,000 shingles belonging to the Nicholas Lumber Company, was totally destroyed by fire this morning. Loss, $25,000. A favorable wind alone saved the western half of the city.

Pope Turns Down Saraffoff.

Rome, Jan. 8.—The vatican declines to receive the Macedonian, Saraffoff, in special audience. The latter is disappointed, as he expected to thus gain many additional volunteers for the insurrection.

Bryan Returning.

New York, Jan. 9.—William J. Bryan arrived off Sandy Hook this morning on board the Celtic, which is delayed on account of fog.

Turkey at the Fair.

Constantinople, Jan. 8.—The sultan on reconsideration has decided to send a Turkish exhibit to the St. Louis fair.

STEAMER SUNK, MANY DROWNED

"Clallam" Foundered Last Night in the Straits Near Port Townsend.

WORST WRECK IN HISTORY OF THE NORTHWEST COAST.

Number Lost Variously Estimated at From Twenty-six to Sixty-five—Two Tugs Attempted Rescue, But the Violent Storm Prevented Effective Work—First Returns From Effects of the Great Storm Which Swept Oregon and Washington Coast Yesterday.

Seattle, Jan. 9.—Twenty-six lives were lost by the foundering of the steamer Clallam in the straits near Port Townsend early this morning. The vessel broke down soon after leaving Victoria yesterday afternoon and drifted before a terrific storm until she met her fate. She began sinking shortly after midnight.

News of the most terrible catastrophe that has ever occurred in these waters was received in this city at 8:30 this morning by a marine exchange in a telegram from the masters of the tugs Sea Lion and Richard Holleck. The former brought 24 survivors and the latter eight to Port Townsend.

The latest telegram states that the Clallam foundered while in tow of the tug Richard Holleck, between Smith Island and Dungeness Spit. The tug was alongside when she sank, but on account of the terrible storm running could save less than one-third of those aboard the doomed vessel.

Fifteen women and children and 10 men, mostly passengers, were drowned.

Later—The list of drowned will probably reach 65.

WAR CORRESPONDENTS HOLD ORIENTAL STEAMER.

New York Herald and Collier's Weekly Win Signal Victory Over Captain of the Siberia—After the Anchor is Lifted the Vessel is Held 10 Hours for Two Men on a Delayed Train.

San Francisco, Jan. 9.—As one of the thrilling evidences of the power of the press, a little incident happened in this city yesterday evening which called forth much comment.

The steamer Siberia, one of the cracker-jack mail boats of the Pacific mail line, was scheduled to sail on her regular time, at noon yesterday and made ready to leave the pier at that hour for the Orient, on one of her most important voyages, on account of the rush mail on board for American ministers and foreign offices in China, Japan and the Philippines.

On board the west-bound Southern Pacific overland train from New York were two war correspondents, bound for the Orient—A. K. Davis, of the New York Herald, and Frederick Palmer, of Collier's Weekly.

The overland train was late and would not connect with the Siberia, before she left the pier. The correspondents had wired ahead to the local manager of the steamship line to hold the vessel until the arrival of the train, so they could embark for the scene of the Russo-Japanese war. The manager wired back to them that the steamer would not be held, but would leave for the Orient on time.

The correspondents were not to be defeated in their determination to catch that vessel and land in the Orient eight days sooner than if they waited for the next out-bound boat, so they wired the head office of the steamship line in New York, and immediately E. H. Harriman, president of the company, wired for the Siberia to wait for the overland and permit these correspondents to make connection.

So the big mail liner, due to leave the pier at noon waited for two representatives of the press and did not leave until 10 o'clock last night, 10 hours behind her schedule time.

The 1,600 tons of rush mail and the 800 tons of nitrates and 500 tons of pig lead, waited for two sweating war correspondents, who had accomplished one of the most remarkable feats in modern journalism, by tying up an Oriental steamer for 10 hours after the anchor had been lifted for the most important voyage in her history.

FIERCE STORM.

Began Today and is Raging on the Oregon Coast.

Portland, Jan. 8.—A fierce storm sprang up about noon today and is raging along the Oregon coast at all points heard from. Vast shipping interests are imperiled.

A. B. THOMPSON NOT TO BE REINSTATED

Portland, Jan. 8.—News has been received here that Secretary Hitchcock has declined to reinstate Asa B. Thompson, as receiver of the La Grande land office.

The Oregon delegation has worked faithfully for Mr. Thompson's reinstatement, both with the secretary and President Roosevelt, and it seems taking the trouble over Secretary Hitchcock's head to the president did not mend the matter, as it was at the direct suggestion of the president that the secretary declined to hold Mr. Thompson in office, although this suggestion was entirely unnecessary, as the secretary had long ago determined to do this very thing.

It now complicates Oregon matters in the national campaign worse than ever, as it is thought that the same reasons which actuated both Secretary Hitchcock and President Roosevelt to remove Mr. Thompson against the earnest solicitations of the entire Oregon delegation, will cause them to refuse to appoint any man suggested by the delegation. So the appointment of a receiver for the La Grande office is one of the most complicated questions to be considered in the council of the Oregon delegation.

Returned With Boodler.

St. Louis, Jan. 11.—Ex-Councilman Kratz in charge of officers, arrived here from Mexico this morning. There was no demonstration because when Kratz fled to Mexico he forfeited bond for $20,000. It is believed the new bonds will be not less than $40,000. Kratz was indicted for acceptance of a bribe to give street railway grants, in which the boodlers' combine is said to have divided $60,000. The prosecution expects Kratz to turn state's evidence when confronted with the full volume of evidence against him.

FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE

MANY EXITS HAD BEEN LOCKED BY THE USHERS.

Ushers' Conduct Contributed Directly to the Awful Loss of Life—Building Inspector's Examination of the Building Was Superficial—Testimony of Theater Engineer Shows Inadequate Fire Protection.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—The coroner began the examination of witnesses today concerning the Iroquois fire.

The official list of dead reported by him makes the number 565. The first list was 591, but this was caused by the identification of bodies under more than one name.

The coroner today is assisted by a large array of legal talent, including the state's attorney and city and county attorneys, as well as a score of lawyers retained by relatives of the victims.

The testimony brought out today uniformly agrees that the exits were locked by ushers, who either resisted the attempts of spectators to open them or did nothing to restore order among the panic stricken.

Also that the ventilators above the stage were not opened.

The arrest of Maher and Nagel, two workmen who nailed down the ventilators of the room when the building was being constructed, is considered by the coroner to be important, as evidence tending to show the examination made by the building inspector when the theater was opened was not thorough.

The most sensational testimony since the coroner began the inquiry into the Iroquois disaster was given by Robert Mowray, engineer of be ill-fated building at this morning session.

He said the curtains were operated by hand and counter-weights. The fire-fighting apparatus consisted of two tubes of kilfyre 18 inches long. There was no other protection against fire on the stage.

The stand-pipe in the rear of the stage had never been supplied with hose and under the foyer there were but 50 feet of two-inch hose. This constituted the entire fire-fighting apparatus of that portion of the house. In the theater were four small reels of hose which to be used had to be connected with the water meter and stand pipes, whose locations were known only to the work men.

There had never been any drills for fires, and no instructions were ever issued to the employes. The witness admitted he knew how to use the greater portion of the fire apparatus, but never had instructed his assistants.

The exits were draped in red plush curtains, but were held outside by heavy iron doors, barred, bolted and operated with levers. The witness admitted that no one unfamilliar with this system of levers could unlock the doors.

No signs appeared above the exits. There were three locked exits on each of the balconies and four pairs of iron-barred doors, closed, the down stairs exits. There were no sprinklers above the stage, nor any fire alarm boxes in the house.

When asked what he expected to do in case of fire, he said he depended on going to the front office and using the telephone. He said he never saw the skylights opened.

SEATTLE IMMIGRANTS.

Thirteen Chinese Deported from That Port During December.

Seattle, Jan. 8.—The monthly report of the United States immigration bureau of this city shows that during the month of December 332 aliens arrived at this port. Of the total number desiring admission to the United States 13 were deported back to the country from whence they came.

The excellent work accomplished by the immigration bureau of this city and its inspectors has been highly commended by the department at Washington, especially for the vigilance in detecting the smuggling of Chinese into the United States, few having proved successful. Within a short time it is the intention of Mr. Estell, the inspector in charge of this office, to enlarge his force, in which he has the co-operation of the department at Washington.

George E. Geffney, Japanese interpreter in connection with the immigration office at this city, yesterday received the official announcement of his promotion to inspector. Mr. Geffney was aware of the fact that he was to be promoted on the arrival of Mr. Estell from Washington, but it was not until yesterday morning that the official announcement was received by him.

Bishop Scott's Jubilee.

Portland, Jan. 8.—The Right Rev. Thomas Fielding Scott, bishop of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon, observed today the fiftieth anniversary of his elevation to the bishopric. Congratulatory messages were received from Episcopal churchmen and other persons in many parts of the country.

Innocent Man Jailed.

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—Jean Hapique, who has been 10 years in the county jail fighting for a trial, was released this morning. Hapique was convicted of forgery and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. He petitioned the supreme court for a new trial. After 10 years he was today set aright. On his appearance Judge Cook said the man was entitled to his liberty and released him.

STATE'S ACCOUNTS

GREAT DRAIN ON FUNDS CUTS DOWN BALANCES

Six Months Ending December 31 Shows Falling Off in Receipts Over Same Period Last Year—Cash on Hand January 1, 1904, $819,202.32.

Salem, Jan. 8.—State Treasurer Moore yesterday completed and issued his semi-annual statement covering the period of six months ending December 31, 1903, showing the receipts and disbursements of the several funds during that period, and the amount of money left in his hands on January 1, 1904, which is given as $819,202.32. The funds on hand at the beginning of the period, July 1, 1903, were $1,278,096.42; the receipts for the six months, $945,953.43, and the total disbursements, $1,405,847.53.

Although there is a very healthy fund in the treasury, over and above expenses, this statement shows that there has been a very material falling off in the surplus fund over last year at the same time. The receipts for the same period last year were $866,733.42, and the disbursements $1,012,202.61, and the balance of hand, January 1, 1903, was $1,122,796.11, showing a falling off of $303,593.79. A better showing was made for the six months previous to this report, ending July 1, 1903, when the receipts for the period amounted to $1,156,334.75, the disbursements, $1,040,994.44, leaving a healthy balance of $1,278,136.42 on hand July 1, 1903.

There has been an unusually heavy drain upon several of the funds during the past year, however, which explains the great difference in the amounts of the balances, as, for instance, the disbursements of the general fund for the past six months have been $84,977.12 greater than for the previous six months; the common school fund, principal and interest, $287,313.31 greater than the previous six months, and the swamp land funds $7,600.51 greater.

SEATTLE'S GROWING TRADE.

Month of December a Banner Month for the Ocean Traffic.

Seattle, Jan. 8.—Seattle's export trade by water for the month of December exceeded that of November by $374,708. These figures reveal the fact that last month's exports were among the heaviest of the year, and that the industries of this state and their products are becoming recognized throughout the world. The condition of the foreign trade, likewise that of the coast trade, is shown in the report of Port Warden Jensen, just completed.

Oriental shipments from Seattle for the month of December reached $1,120,689. This is an increase of $336,684 over November. Shipments to the Orient consisted mostly of flour, tobacco, cigarettes, cotton, machinery, beer, bicycles, fish, rails and lumber. Cotton shipments showed an increase of 2,975 bales, while the flour increase, according to valuation, was less than $5,000.

Coastwise passengers to the number of 67,488 were handled, 33,369 being inbound and 34,019 outbound.

Of the total of 101 deep sea vessels engaged in the trade of the port, 14 were sailing and 87 steam, 15 less than in November. Seattle sold and shipped to coastwise and local ports during December $2,333,641 worth of merchandise.

The principal imports for the month were silk, tea and matting.

MINING CONGRESS.

President Roosevelt Has Been Invited to Address the Portland Convention.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 8.—President Roosevelt will be asked to deliver an address before the seventh annual session of the American Mining congress, to be held in this city next August. This was decided at a meeting just concluded here of the officers and executive committee of the congress, at which all the preliminary plans for the session were completed.

In addition to the president, many other distinguished men of the country will be asked to address the congress.

The organization has succeeded in obtaining reduced railroad rates from all parts of the country and it is expected that as a result the attendance will reach fully 5,000 delegates and visitors, representative of all sections of the United States, Canada Mexico and several countries of Europe are expected to be also represented. All the energies of the forthcoming session are to be concentrated on the plan for the establishment of a federal department of mines and mining, whose secretary shall be a member of the president's cabinet.

Searching for Weapons.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—All the morning the court where the car barn bandits are on trial today was searched for concealed weapons. Strong men protested, but were compelled to disrobe, which had very discouraging tendencies upon sentimental female spectators, many of whom decided not to watch the proceedings. The jury is still incomplete.

No News From Kishineff.

London, Jan. 7.—No news from Kishineff today indicating disturbances. A letter received from Russian Minister Plevine today scoffs at the idea of a recurrence of the anti-Semitic riots.

NEWS FROM AND AT WASHINGTON

Tales of War in San Domingo Mingle With Those of Affairs of State.

APPROPRIATION TO STAMP OUT COTTON BOLL WEEVIL.

All Federal Employes Have Had One-Half Hour Per Day Added to Their Working Time—Active War in Progress in San Domingo, Much to Annoyance of Outsiders to the Row—Army Promotions and Changes.

Washington, Jan. 8.—At a cabinet meeting this morning it was decided that an order be issued in every department of the government works, making the hours of the employes from 9 to 4, adding one-half hour to the time now in vogue. The order applies to all federal employes throughout the country.

The house today, by a unanimous vote, appropriated $250,000 to stamp out the boll weevil.

Situation in San Domingo.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Commander Dillingham, of the cruiser Detroit, sent the following today from Puerto Plata, San Domingo:

"The Morales gunboat commander delivered an ultimatum and threatened to bombard Puerto Plata after 24 hours' notice. With the concurrence of Commander Robertson, of the English cruiser Pallas, such representations were made to both sides that the gunboat agreed not to bombard, and the other side will not fire on the gunboats.

"All fighting will be confined to the land side of the town in the future, and United States interests are secured.

"I have small parties landed at Sosan and at the American consulate here."

Army Affairs.

Washington, Jan. 8.—The president today sent the following nominations to the senate:

Chaffee to be lieutenant-general, vice Young, retired.

The following brigadiers to be major-generals: Kobe, Sanger, Bates, Randolph and Gillespie. All but the last named will be immediately retired.

Colonel Dodge, assistant paymaster-general, to be paymaster-general, with the rank of brigadier, vice Bates, retired.

Colonel Mackenzie to be chief of engineers, with rank of brigadier, vice Gillespie.

Colonel Story to be chief of artillery, with rank of brigadier, vice Randolph.

The following colonels and lieutenant-colonels to be brigadiers: Mordecai, Haskell, Hathaway, Taylor, Butler, Allen, True, Coze, Line, Dougherty, McCakey and Mills. The latter is now superintendent at West Point. All but the last two will be immediately retired.

Also, the nomination of Joseph McCarthy, of Minnesota, to be auditor in the postoffice department.

IS IT ROCKEFELLER?

Spokane Wonders Who is Back of the Famous Graves Road.

Spokane, Jan. 8.—Is the Rockefeller system behind the Graves road? The plan seems to be, says a man on the inside, for the O. R. & N. to work in harmony with the Graves people.

The electric franchise also carries the right to haul freight from the Coeur d'Alene region to the boundary of Spokane. No route would be better for a link in a transcontinental road. The Graves line is now surveying toward Wallace.

The large interests of Rockefeller in the lead mines makes it probable, it is said, that the carrying business will be also controlled. The maxim of the Rockefeller crowd is "never allow anyone else to make a profit." The new road would be a great help to Spokane. It is also recalled that all supplies for the Graves road came over the O. R. & N.

KILLED WHILE COASTING.

Colfax Schoolboy Dashes Into a Wagon With His Sled.

Colfax, Wash., Jan. 8.—Lawrence Duchemin, aged 12, was fatally hurt in a coasting accident this afternoon. His brother, Ralph, aged 10 years, had a hip fractured and two ribs broken, and two other boys were more or less hurt.

The youngsters were coasting down a steep hill and lost control of the sled, which collided with a wagon. Lawrence Duchemin's skull was fractured and there is no hope for his recovery.

STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.

Ex-Governor Charles Foster, of Ohio, Died Today.

Springfield, O., Jan. 9.—The condition of ex-Governor Charles Foster, who was stricken with paralysis last night, is extremely critical.

Later.

Mr. Foster died at 11:30 this morning.

Idaho Coming to Portland.

Boise, Jan. 9.—Arrangements have been completed for the Idaho delegation to the meeting of the National Live Stock association, to be held in Portland next week, beginning on Tuesday. It is expected that most of the delegates will leave here on train No. 11, which leaves Pocatello Saturday morning, arriving in Portland Sunday morning. Ample sleeping car accommodations have been prepared for all.

John D. Zurcher, an old pioneer of Wallowa county, died Thursday at Enterprise.