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### THE MORNING ASTORIAN, THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1904.

# MARINE DIVER NORTON **MEETS SHOCKING DEATH**

Suffocated in Twenty-two Feet of Water Yesterday While Trying to Recover Lost Anchor.

Accident to Pumping Apparatus Cuts Off Air Supply of Hapless Man and He Perishes Before Men on Deck of Tug Can Haul Him From the Water---Inquest to Be Held to Fix the Responsibility.

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A terrible accident, resulting in the death of Arthur Norton, marine diver, occurred in the harbor yesterday after-While engaged in diving noon. for a lost anchor, Norton's air supply was shut off, and before the unfortunate man could be hauled to the deck of the tug from which he had made the descent he was suffocated.

The body was brought to the . city at once and taken to the . morgue. Coroner Pohl said last evening that an inquest would . be held at 9:30 this morning, at 🌩 which time a jury will make an . effort to fix the responsibility + for the death of the diver.

Arthur Norton, aged about 50 years, met a frightful death while engaged in marine diving in the lower harbor yesterday afternoon. In some unaccountable manner, the apparatus with which air is pumped to the diver failed to properly perform its functions, and done before a descent is undertaken. and Norton was suffocated in the div- Apparently the pumps worked perfecting suit which incased him from head ly and there was nothing to indicate to foot.

The hapless diver must have suffered metal hood was placed over Norton's fearful agonles, for when he was hauled head and the pumps started he to the surface and the suit removed it breathed with apparent ease, and afwas found his head had swollen to twice its normal size, rendering the signaled to be lowered into the river. features unrecognizable, and that the The water at the place where the acciswelling had caused nearly all of the dent occurred is 22 feet deep. blood vessels to burst. The corpse presented a sickening spectacle.

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Norton had been employed on the steamer Melvile for several months and was not generally known as a diver-in fact, C. H. Callender, superintendent of the company operating the Melville, was surprised when Norton asked permission to perform the work which resulted in his death. It appears, however, the man had had some experience in diving, and that his services were occasionally sought for work of this character.

Recently the bar dredge Chinook lost a large anchor in the lower harbor, during the heavy gales which prevailed a week or more ago. The government tug Mendell had been detailed to recover the anchor, and it was decided to engage Norton to make the descent. Yesterday the man went down to the lower harbor with the tug, and shortly

after the dinner hour the work was commenced. According to statements made by

persons present at the time, the diving apparatus was tested, as is usually that accident might occur. When the

ter remaining on deck a few moments About the time Norton should have

reached the bottom of the river the

\$17.50

men on deck gave the usual signal to determin whether or not the diver was Michael Davitt mine through the unin trouble, another custom followed by men engaged in the work. No reply to the first signal, which was conveyed by means of a line, was received, and a second signal was given. Again there was no response and the men were instructed eo draw the man up with all haste. This was done and in a few moments the diver was on the deck of the tug, the work of removing the metal hood requiring but a very short time

To the horror of the men on the Men dell, it was found Norton had been without air, and that he was breathing Miner Travels Six Hundred Miles With his last when the hood was taken from his head. He gasped for breath a few times, and then succumbed.

The failure of the air supply had caused the swelling of the head and consegent bursting of the blood vessels. and when the hood was removed the unfortunate man was unconscious. The accident was a great surprise to

the men aboard the tug, who state that Norton had been down but a few moments, and who believed he could not possibly have suffocated in the short time elapsing after he disappeared beneath the water. It is quite evident that the air suply failed as soon as he went over the side of the tug, and that by the time he reached the river bottom he was helpless as he failed to reply to the signals from above.

The body was brought to the city and taken to the morgue. Coroner Pohl said last evening that he would empanel a jury and hold an inquest at 9 o'clock this morning.

"So far as I could ascertain today, the accident was due to the failure of the air supply," said the coroner last evening. "I presume the cause of the death of the man will be brought out at tomorrow's inquest, and that the fury will fix responsibility for the accident."

Norton's features were so terribly distorted that the coroner, who had not known the man, was unable to even estimate his age.

Little is known of the hapless diver He had been in Astoria for two years. during which time he was in the employ of the Callender Transportation Villian Gets Away With Jewelry and Company. He was a man of exemplary habits and was very popular with his employers. It was shid last evening Norton was a brother-in-law of Cap! tain Bendegaard, the well known master of the steamer Signal, having married

Later in the day F. A. Heinze, J. H Trerise and Al Frank were arrested by United States Marshal Lloyd for alleged violation of the federal court's order granting the Butte & Boston Company permission to inspect the derground workings of the Rarus, Upon complaint being made to Marshal Lloyd that Messrs, Trerise and Frank refused to permit the inspection party to penetrate the secret passage way in the Davitt, steps were at once taker to enforce the contempt order. Marshal Lloyd placed both Trerise and Frank under arrest, and about 4 o'clock Heinze was also arrested.

while the Rarus is Heinze's property.

SAVES ESKIMO'S LIFE.

Injured Native.

Tacoma, Wash., March 9 .-- To save the life of a wounded and suffering Eskimo P. C. O'Donnell traveled 600 miles over the frozen tundra and streams of the Bering sea region in December. He suffered from exposure for 21 days, was compelled to sleep in the open most of the time, waded for miles through icy water of mountain streams and all this time cared for Isaac Wood, a native, who had met with an accident while hunting, which severely wounded him in, both hands, Wood accidentally discharged his rifle and a heavy 44-caliber bullet passed through the center of his right hand and tore away the thumb of the left hand. The accident occurred far above Cape York, 600 miles from Nome, and adequate medical attendance was procurable only at Nome. O'Donnetl quickly perceived that heroic action was necessary if the Eskimo's life was to be saved. Loading provisions on a sled he started with him, but they were soon compelled to abandon the sled and carry the food on their backs. They reached Nome December 22. Wood was truly grateful, declaring O'Donnell had saved his life.

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WOMAN GRABS THIEF.

Coin in Spite of Owner. Sacramento, March 8 .- A fashionable apartment house opposite Capitol park was the scene at noon today of an exciting conflict between a plucky womar Mrs. R. E. Cransor a Miss Bendegaard. His wife is dead, whose husband is a well known mining but it is understood two children, a boy expert, had left the apartments, lockand a girl, reside at San Francisco. ing the doors after her. When she re-The coroner has yet received no inturned she found one of the doors open structions from California as to what As she was about to enter the burglar, who had secured entrance by means of C. H. Callender said last night that a skeleton key, brushed past her, with he was very much shocked to learn of his pockets full of her jewelry and the death of Norton, who had worked other valuables. for him two years and whose conduct Mrs. Cranston seized him about the had endeared him to all the employes waist and fought bravely to hold him. of the company. So far as Mr. Cal-The burglar was able to break away lender knew, Mr. Norton never talked from Mrs. Cranston and he ran dowr much of his domestic affairs. Mr. the front stairs. A street car was Callender was not aware that Norton passing and he hoarded it. was a diver until Tuesday, when he Mrs. Cranston, in close pursuit, cried learned that the man had been engaged out to the conductor to catch the thief The conductor walked forward to obey when the thief jumped off the car and ran through an alley and finally retracing his steps escaped through Caplol park. ' He secured about \$400

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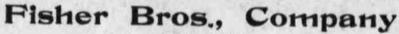
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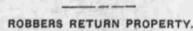
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to go down after the anchor lost from the Chinook. HEINZE UNDER ARREST. **Operators** in Butte Violate worth of jewelry and \$40 in coin. Court's Order. Butte, Mont., March 9 .--- On the charge that they were within the limits of the Rarus mine, three miners from the Pennsylvania mine were arrested this afternoon. The men in custody say that Rarus miners decoyed them into the Rarus on the plea that some of the Rarus miners were being suffocated and help was needed. Rarus miners claim that the Pennsylvania men invaded their workings to steal ore. The Amalgamated claims the ground where the trouble occurred and was awarded it by the court. The Pennsylvania belongs to the Boston & Montana Company, or in other words to the Amalgamated Copper Company MEN ARE POWERLESS To Fight Against Disease Unless They Strike at the Underlying Cause. To treat Dandruff, and Falling Hair, with irritants or oils on which a para-sitic germ will prosper, is like scooping water from the ocean to prevent the tide You cannot accomplish a satisfactory cure without having a right understanding of the fundamental causes of the

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Owner of Mint Saloon Gets Stoler Watch by Mail.

Baker City, Ore., March 9 .- When the Mint saloon was held up by the lone highwayman about three weeks ago a watch which a miner from the hills had left with the proprietor for safe keeping was taken.

It was not very valuable, but the owner made a complaint about it and demanded the return of his property. Mr. Buckley could not comply with the request because the robber had it, and he was not to be found. It was hardly to be expected that Buckley would pay for the watch because it was not

his fault that it was stolen. Today Mr. Buckley received by reg-

istered mail from Silver City, Idaho a watch answering the description of the one stolen. The owner has not seen the watch, so it is not certain that it is the right one.

If it should prove to be the missing watch there will be a grave question of doubt raised in the case of the state vs. Strong, who is now on trial for holding up the saloon

Three men were arrested on suspicion before Strong was taken into custody. They were released for want of sufficient evidence to convict, and were given 12 hours to leave town They all went east. Some of the officers thought they were the right men and the return of the missing watch lends color to that suspicion.

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