

\$10 REWARD

We shall give \$10.00 in gold as a first prize, and \$5.00 as a second prize, to the boy or girl under eighteen years of age writing the best poem of two or more verses, using the MONARCH RANGE as subject of the poem. All poems to be handed in before 6 P. M. on February 16, 1905

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FINISH TAX ROLLS

County Finances Are in Good Condition.

CERTIFICATES OF SALE READY

Large Amount Due Clatsop Is Now in the Courts, But It Is Likely to Be Added to the Treasurer's Pile in a Short Time.

The sheriff's office has completed its work on the tax rolls for 1903, and the report of the office, except for the large amount due the county in the matter of the timber claims now in court, shows a most satisfactory condition. The amount due the county on these claims amounts to \$11,885.67, and if, as expected, the courts sustain the county's claim the finances will have a big addition.

The statement prepared by Deputies Binder and Anderson, completed yesterday, is as follows:

Delinquency, \$17,169.14; 10 per cent penalty, \$241.91; interest, \$190.13; advertising, \$34.19; total, \$17,635.37. Collected, \$2,703.27; proceeds tax sale, \$180.87; double assessments, \$113.58; amount in dispute, \$11,885.67; sold to county, \$2,751.97; total, \$17,635.37.

Collections have been coming in in good shape, and the sheriff is highly pleased at the ease with which this usually difficult branch of the office's business has been conducted.

In addition to the completion of the rolls the office has also prepared the certificates of the property sold at the recent tax sale and these are ready for delivery.

AFTER TREASURE.

Another Expedition After Buccaneers Gold on Cocos Island.

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—When the city of Panama, arriving here today, was at Punta Arenas, Costa Rica, the English steam yacht Rose Marine was in the harbor bound for Cocos island to search for the gold that legends say was buried there by ancient buccaniers. A man named Gray is in charge of the party. His purpose in putting in Punta Arenas it was reported, was to endeavor to obtain concessions for excavations on Cocos island, the place being under the jurisdiction of Costa Rica.

Another British steam yacht, known as the Veronique was at Panama when the city of Panama left there and was also bound for Cocos on a search for the coin and plate of the buccaniers. This expedition was only a few days ago mentioned in the dispatches as having failed to find any trace of the wealth after having made extensive excavations. The Veronique, it is said will soon come to San Francisco.

BIG BANK DEAL.

President Hellman Is in the East Closing the Transfer.

San Francisco, Jan. 13.—The Chronicle says today:

"The reports in local financial circles concerning the absorption by the National Nevada bank of the Wells bank are not mere rumors but that the deal is an accomplished fact. It is stated with positiveness by persons in a position to know the relations of the two institutions that President Hellman of the National bank, who is now in the east, has partially closed the transaction and that its details have been approved by the directors of the bank.

"No details of the transaction have as yet been given."

HORDE OF SKATES.

Pigeonwing Cranks Get Together in a Big Band.

New York, Jan. 13.—Amateur skating orders of the country have been brought into a body at the annual meeting here of the National Amateur Skating Association of the United States. This means a membership of nearly 10,000 skaters and carries forward the work begun by the late "Father Bill" Curtis several years ago. The trebling of the old membership

was accomplished by the amalgamating of the American Skating Association and the Sleipner Athletic Club, both of Chicago, the former governing body of the west, and the Canadian Skating Association.

Sanctions for the national championship and other meetings were awarded. The national indoor championship was scheduled for the Duquesne rink, Pittsburgh, Pa.; national outdoor championship at Verona Lake, N. Y. The Illinois outdoor championship goes to Chicago.

Practically every skating organization in the country had a delegate present or was represented by a proxy.

SUING HEINZE.

Claim His Company Stole a Fortune Underground.

Butte, Jan. 13.—Complaints have been filed in the United States federal court by Lawyers Kelley and Forbes and Evans against the Montana Ore Purchasing Company and others for misappropriating ores said to belong to the plaintiff, the Butte and Boston Consolidated Mining Company.

One of the complaints alleges that the defendant entered upon the combination mining lode claim through the underground workings and extracted ore said to be valued at \$300,000. The plaintiff demands remuneration to the extent of \$240,000 as the owner of four fifths interest in the claim.

The other complaint alleges that the defendants on or about August 15, 1902, entered and extracted ore from the Michael Devitt claim amounting to \$1,500,000, for which sum the plaintiff asks judgment including costs and such other relief as the court may see fit to grant.

Those who are named as defendants in the Montana Ore Purchasing Company are: F. Augustus Heinze; Minnie Healy Company, Hypocack Company, Basin Reduction works, John MacGinniss, Alfred Franks and W. A. Kidney.

PECULIAR FATALITY.

Butte Miner Unwittingly Works His Own Destruction.

Butte, Jan. 13.—A coroner's inquest over the remains of Anton Barnabo, a miner who was killed in an explosion on the second level of the Pennsylvania mine yesterday afternoon developed a curious condition which resulted in the death of the miner.

Barnabo, it appears, was working on the contract system, and with his partner were engaged in blasting. Wishing to break down the greatest amount of rock in the least time possible Barnabo drilled a hole much deeper than is customary and charge it with a quantity of powder so great that the explosion following sufficed to heat the adjoining rock to a degree that necessitated the use of water for cooling purposes. When another hole was drilled, the heat of the rock was such that when Barnabo placed a stick of powder into the drill hole, it exploded, blowing his head completely from his shoulders.

DAMAGED RAILROADS.

Russian Cavalry Makes Descent on Japanese Lines.

Tokio, Jan. 13, 2 p. m.—Russian cavalry raiders have slightly damaged the railroad between Anshantien, Haichang, and Tsanhiirao.

The above dispatch evidently refers to a previous cablegram to the Associated Press from General Oku's headquarters in the field, which announced a raid made on the railroad near Haichang by Russian cavalry, who were repulsed, it is said, by Japanese guards, and driven back.

Minor Scrap.

Tokio, Jan. 13 (Noon).—A report yesterday, received at Imperial headquarters in Korea, says the Japanese garrison at Hambeung recently defeated a detachment of the Ninth Siberian Cossacks near Honon. The date of the engagement is not stated. The Russians retreated in disorder, leaving nine men dead on the field. The spoils taken by the Japanese included two horses, and a number of rifles and swords.

Comedian's Tragedy.

New York, Jan. 13.—Harvey Grovesnor Forbes Curtis, a well known character-comedian, who two years ago married Louisa Cutler Francis, niece of the late Ward McAllister, is dead at St. Luke's hospital from heart trouble. He had been on the stage 23 years, and had appeared in support of many well known stars.

MUST BE REBUILT

Brooklyn Bridge Becoming Unsafe for Heavy Traffic.

COST IS ABOUT \$5,000,000

Engineers Admit the Big Bridge Is Carrying Weight. Lt. Was Never Designed for and Steel Is Becoming Impaired by Age.

New York, Jan. 13.—Fearful lest the strain to which the Brooklyn bridge is being subjected will weaken it to extent that a great catastrophe might be possible, engineers of the department of bridges are reported to have determined that the structure must be almost completely rebuilt. To do this it will require at least two years, and meanwhile traffic between New York and Brooklyn will have to be diverted to the Williamsburg bridge, the new Manhattan bridge, and to the Brooklyn subway tunnel, now in course of construction. Four or five years may elapse before this can be accomplished as great traffic problems will have to be solved beforehand.

Though an inspection of the Brooklyn bridge shows it to be in a safe condition at present, it is admitted by all the engineers who have been connected with the work, according to the Herald, that even steel has an age limit, and that this limit is being rapidly approached. The structure is now having to withstand a weight of traffic which it was never intended to bear when the plans for it were made—and in addition to the wear and tear which were to be expected, there has been an added impairment of the structure by electrolysis.

Plans for rebuilding the bridge which are now in course of preparation call for the construction of practically a new structure. But little will remain of the present bridge except the great stone piers, which are practically imperishable. When finished it will be as modern in every respect as the Williamsburg bridge, with a double deck and far better facilities for crossing of elevated and surface cars.

It will be necessary to add greatly to the weight of the anchorages, so as to withstand the added weight of the double decks. It may not be found necessary to alter the present promenade deck, except by strengthening it, but all the suspender girders will be replaced. From these girders no immediate danger is anticipated, but in view of the threatened disaster a few years ago, when 17 of them broke, no chance will be taken by using any of the old ones when the structure is overhauled.

It is estimated that the cost will be about \$5,000,000.

ALL NIGHT BANK.

Unique Institution Will Soon Be Open to Public.

New York, Jan. 13.—Henriet Clarke, a \$900,000 site at the corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-fourth street, a district of fashionable restaurants and hotels, the directors of the First Night and Day bank have completed plans for opening that unique institution probably within a few months. The bank, which will be opened together with its safety deposit vaults, day and night, will have a capital of \$200,000 and surplus of \$500,000.

In connection with the purchase of a site for the bank, it is related that the property has changed hands twice within a year, netting a profit to the sellers in that short period of \$300,000.

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Our entire line of fine garments are on Sacrifice Sale at the lowest prices known.

\$6.85 for our great \$10 and \$12 Overcoats.
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\$16.85 for choice of all our fine \$22, \$25 and \$30 Overcoats.

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More than a thousand pairs—the best kinds.

\$1.45 for \$2 and \$2.50 Pants.

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\$9.90 for \$13.50, \$15 and \$18 Suits.

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Hundreds to Select from. The best and latest styles.

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\$3.95 for \$5, \$6 and \$7 Suits.

CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS.

2 to 12 Sizes.

\$1.65 for \$2.50 and \$3 Overcoats.

\$2.85 for \$4 Overcoats.

\$3.85 for \$5, \$6 and \$7 Overcoats.

ODD KNEE PANTS.

35c for 50c all wool.

55c for 57c extra good.

5c for 10c stockings.

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13 to 20 Sizes.

\$3.45 for \$6 and \$7.50 Overcoats.

\$6.95 for \$10 Overcoat.

\$9.95 for \$15 and \$18 Overcoats.

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Our fine new fresh stock must be sold. Let the loss be what it may. Now, men, boys and women, your time has come.

5c for choice of white and colored 40c Handkerchiefs.

5c for 15c Celluloid Collars, all styles.

5c for 10c Good Quality Cotton Sox.

8c for 15c Extra Quality Cotton Sox.

10c for ladies' 20c fine Bal. Hose.

12 1/2c for Wool Marino 20c Sox.

17c, 3 pair for 50c, best quality 25c Wool Sox.

35c for best quality Heavy German Knit 50c Sox.

15c for all 25c and 35c Suspenders.

35c for all 50c, 65c and 75c Suspenders.

SHIRTS.

Largest stock of nobby and fresh styles in Astoria at less than wholesale cost.

35c for Golf soft bosom or Nobby stiff bosom, also Black Sateen, etc., worth 50c and 65c.

45c for Black Sateen, soft or stiff bosom, with or without cuffs. Worth 75c.

85c for Monarch and other brands worth \$1.25.

\$1.15 for all kinds of \$1.50 Shirts.

UNDERWEAR.

35c for Broken Lots Derby Rib, heavy, worth 50c and 65c.

45c for fancy French Bal. Rib, worth 75c.

85c for Ex. Quality Wool, \$1.25 value.

\$1.15 for Select Quality, \$1.50 and \$1.75 value.

\$1.45 for \$2 and \$2.50 Best Imported Stock.

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Our entire stock of Fine Shoes at sacrifice.

\$1.35 for odd lot \$2 and \$2.50 Shoes.

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\$2.25 for choice of \$3.50 logger's Shoes.

\$3.50 for choice of \$4.50 and \$5 Fine Logging Shoes.

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\$1.35 for \$2 and \$2.50 Soft and Stiff Hats.

\$2.35 for \$3 and \$3.50 Hats.

\$3 for Hawes Hat. As we are under contract not to cut prices on this hat we will give each customer buying a Hawes Hat the choice of any necktie or suspenders in the house.