

## \$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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## ANCIENT HISTORY

Controversy Between Great Britain and Russia.

WHAT IS TO BE CONTRABAND

Effort to Settle a Dispute by International Arbitration as to Whether Coal is Contraband of War According to Precedent.

London, Feb. 15.—A parliament paper issued today gives the correspondence between Great Britain and Russia relating to contraband of war between February 12, 1904, and October 24. It covers generally everything known through the Associated Press dispatches and shows the firm attitude of foreign Secretary Lansdowne in dealing with Russia's contentions. The paper is chiefly interesting in showing the acuteness of the controversy at one period. Lord Lansdowne, in a dispatch to Sir Charles Hardinge, the British ambassador at St. Petersburg, August 10, describes the situation arising from Russia's "unprecedented attitude" with reference to contraband as one of the utmost gravity, and said that unless this condition was ended without delay Great Britain would be constrained to take such precaution as she thought desirable to protect her commerce.

Another dispatch from Secretary Lansdowne of October 16 to Ambassador Hardinge mentions a conversation which Lord Lansdowne had with Count Benckendorf, the Russian ambassador to Great Britain in which Lord Lansdowne informed him that the decision of Russia making coal contraband obliged Great Britain to use special vigilance in regard to the supply of coal to the belligerents.

The correspondence concludes with an expression of the satisfaction of Great Britain at the fact that Russia had modified her views in making rice and provisions conditional contraband but regretting that this principle was not applied to coal.

### MORE LAND FRAUDS.

W. H. Odell and L. B. Geer Being Investigated.

Salem, Feb. 15.—The acts of W. H. Odell and former State Land Agent L. B. Geer in connection with the state's selections of lands in place of school sections found to be mineral, are again undergoing the scrutiny of a legislative committee.

Ever since investigation by the last legislature there have been persistent reports of huge graft in these transactions. The present state land agent, Oswald West, in his biennial report recently published, reviews the matter, and says that "Odell must have received near \$100,000 for the base which he handled."

Geer and Odell seem to have worked together.

The committee which now has the matter in hand consists of Senators Brownell, Laughary and Representatives Dobbins, Caldwell, Settlemier. The committee is shrouding its proceedings in secrecy, but it is learned that some highly important evidence has been obtained. L. B. Geer was before the committee last night and made some admissions which are regarded as sensational.

The committee renewed the inquiry this afternoon. Land Agent West's report shows that Odell made huge profits out of the sale of base for indemnity selections. The title of many purchasers of school lands has been involved in great confusion, and it is the belief of many people who are conversant with the facts that if the investigation is thorough a huge scandal will result.

L. B. Geer is a cousin of ex-Governor Geer.

### WILL OPEN SALOON.

Forest Grove Will Have the First Saloon in History of Town.

Forest Grove, Ore., Feb. 15.—With the new city council of Forest Grove deadlocked over the question of grant-

## PANAMA RAILROAD

To Be Investigated By Congressional Committee.

A WELL PAYING INVESTMENT

Committee to Investigate the Railroad Has Returned from New York and State That Abandonment Will Result in Loss.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The members of the sub-committee charged with an investigation of the affairs of the Panama railroad by the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce has returned from New York, where it went to visit the officers of the company.

Chairman Shackelford of the sub-committee said that the testimony developed that the railroad and its constituent seamanship line was an exceedingly well paying piece of property. It has been a dividend payer from its organization. The evidence was to the effect that should the steamship line be abandoned by the government the value of the property would be very greatly depreciated.

**A Grim Tragedy.**  
Is Jolly enacted, in thousands of homes, as Death claims, in each one, another victim of Consumption or Pneumonia. But what Coughs and Colds are properly treated, the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, and three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which cured her, and today she is well and strong." It kills the germs of all diseases. One dose relieves. Guaranteed at 50c and \$1 by Chas. Rogers, druggist. Trial bottle free.

**Why Leaves Turn Brown.**  
The green matter in the tissues of a leaf is composed of two colors, red and blue. When the sap ceases to flow in the autumn the natural growth of the tree is retarded, and oxidation of the tissues takes place. Under certain conditions the green of the leaf changes to red. Under different aspects it takes on a yellow or brown hue. The difference in color is due to the difference in combinations of the original constituents of the green tissues and to the varying condition of climate, exposure and soil. Maples and oaks have the brightest color.

**Compromising.**  
Charles—She is suing her late employer's estate for \$50,000. Henry—On what ground? Charles—On the ground that on four different occasions he said to her, "We are having fine weather," with the accent on the "we."—Brooklyn Life.

**A Broad Hint.**  
The Barber (addressing customer and gazing out of window)—I tell you, sir, the man who shaves himself keeps the bread and butter out of some poor barber's mouth. The Customer (fiercely)—And incidentally the latter out of his own!—Puck.

**A Big Gorge.**  
Mrs. Newrich (back from the honeymoon in Switzerland)—Do you remember, dear, that lovely gorge up in the mountains? Mr. Newrich—I do. It was the squarest meal I ever ate.

ing the first saloon license Forest Grove has ever had. Mayor C. N. Johnson cast the deciding vote last night in favor of a license. The action precipitates the long-threatened fight with the authorities of Pacific university and Tualatin academy, who have declared they would never permit a saloon within the boundaries of the city. The site for the proposed liquor shop, which will be started as soon as a building can be constructed, is on the main street, near the postoffice, and less than 400 feet west of the college building. The license was granted to Albert G. Watson.

A peculiar phase of the situation is that the lot on which it is proposed to erect the saloon building is a part of the old Elkanah-Walker donation land claim, and one of the few sites not originally held by the officials of Tualatin academy and Pacific university. Lots sold from the Elkanah-Walker donation claim, however, contained a reversionary clause, providing that the land should revert to the heirs if "intoxicating liquors" were ever sold on the premises. This apparently made Elkanah-Walker donation land claims even less adapted for saloon purposes than lands from the college holdings, in which the reversionary clause provided that "ardent spirits" should not be sold, thus not including beer, which would be restricted under the clause "intoxicating liquors."

Some time in the 60's, however, the particular lot on which it is proposed to locate the saloon was sold to A. T. Smith, to whom was given a quitclaim deed by the preceding holder which inadvertently left out the reversionary clause. Some think this omission would invalidate the original clause, but legal advice in Portland states that it will not.

### Brute Captured.

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 15.—Iva Wilson of Sumpter, Ore., 16 years old, is under arrest here, while George Kirkwood, her paramour, is also in the toils. The girl was a waitress in Sumpter, and by the show of much money Kirkwood lured her to run away and join him in Pendleton, where he promised to marry her. They stayed there two nights and Kirkwood was arrested for burglary. He broke jail and came to Spokane with the girl. Three days ago he deserted the girl, leaving her penniless.

### Big Revival at Grant's Pass.

Grant's Pass, Ore., Feb. 15.—A general religious revival, of the good old-fashioned kind and in which all of the churches of the city are uniting, is being held in Grant's Pass this week, and may continue for two or three weeks if results warrant. The ministers and congregations of the Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist and Christian churches have joined forces and will attack wickedness and the wicked ones of Grant's Pass from both flanks. Services are not held at one church continually, a change from one to another being made each day.

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Hundreds of pairs to choose from. \$1.40 for pants worth up to \$2.50. \$2.40 for pants worth up to \$4.50. \$3.40 for pants worth up to \$6.00.

### Young Men's Suits

We will put an alteration sale on about 20 styles that will clear them out. \$4.50 for odd lots carried over from last season, all colors, worth \$10. \$8.50 for several styles to extra fine single and double breasted suits, worth to \$15.

### Knee Pants Suits

\$1.50 for a splendid lot worth up to \$2.50. \$2.75 for an extra good lot worth up to \$4.50. \$3.75 for special lot, 2 pairs pants, worth \$6.

### SHOES

\$1.35 for a lot of odd pairs, worth to \$2.50. \$1.75 for a lot of extra good, worth to \$3. \$2.50 for splendid lot of heavy shoes, worth to \$3.50.

### HATS

We will sell you a hat if style and low prices will do the work. \$1.35 will buy soft and stiff hats worth \$2.50. \$2.35 will buy soft and stiff hats worth \$3.50. \$3.00 Contract hat, standard price. We can't cut this, but we give the choice of any tie or suspenders in the house to worth 75c with each Hawes Hat.

### Furnishing Goods

A hundred more bargains that we can't find room to mention. 35c for grades of 50 and 60c underwear. 65c for wool merino and Balbriggan \$1 Underwear. 85c for select wool and English Balbriggan \$1.50 underwear. \$1.15 for lambswool and French balbriggan underwear.

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25c for a big lot 50c and 75c stiff shirts. 35c for golf, negligee and black sateen 50 to 65c shirts. 55c for a golf and negligee select style \$1 shirt. 85c for choice of all Monarch \$1.25 shirts 5c for 10c sox. 8c for 15c sox. 12 1-2c for 20c sox. 17c for 30c sox.

### SUSPENDERS

5c for an odd lot dumb web 15c suspenders. 15c for choice of all fine 25c suspenders. 25c for choice of fine suspenders worth to 50c. 35c for choice of all extra fine suspenders worth 75c. 5c for boy's 10c stockings. 12c for 20c stockings, double sole and heel. 10c for four-in-hand silk 25c ties. 37c for choice of all neckware worth to \$1.00.