

# ICE-GORGE BROKEN

**Captain Patterson Takes the Elder to Portland.**

**NO TRAFFIC OVER THE BAR**

**Undine Arrived Down at 7 O'clock Last Evening—River Clear of Ice—Local Notes of Waterfront Origin.**

PORTLAND, Jan. 24.—(Associated Press)—The steamer George W. Elder, the first steamer to arrive up the river since the Columbia was blockaded by ice on January 15, arrived here today. The Elder left Astoria at 7 o'clock and came upon the blockade at St. Helen's at 11 o'clock. At noon, with a strong ebb tide, Captain Jessen and Pilot Patterson decided to try to break their way through. The Elder backed off and rammed the ice at full speed, going into the floe some 200 feet. This was repeated the second time and she broke through, at the same time releasing the ice pack which broke up and floated off down stream on the tide.

The reported opening up of the ice field at Warrior Rock was confirmed later in the evening by receipt of a telephonic message from Captain Wm. Patterson and directed to Captain Al Betts, telling of Captain Patterson's successful attack upon the ice with the steamship Geo. W. Elder, and of his safe arrival in Portland with the vessel. The gist of his message was that the "river was open for all steamers," and the conclusion is justified that the balance of the fleet at St. Helen's left up at the earliest moment possible after the Elder had gone through. The Elder left this port yesterday morning at 7 o'clock.

The steamer Atlas, from San Francisco, oil laden for the Standard plants here and at Portland, crossed in yesterday morning and went to an anchorage in the city channel awaiting orders. Last evening at 6 o'clock a telephone message was received by the Standard's representative here, H. B. Leinenweber, from responsible parties in Portland that the ice blockade at Warrior Rock had been broken and that the steamship Geo. W. Elder had entered port and was then at her usual berth. No word was said as to the Aragonia, Nicomedia, Roanoke, T. J. Potter, Santa Maria, or any of the other ice bound fleet at St. Helen's.

Dell B. Scully, Notary Public, at Scully's Cigar Store. Any old hour!

nor as to the methods employed to open up the channels eastward of the Rock. The Elder was, perhaps, the lightest in draught of all the ocean-going vessels at St. Helen's and she may have crept through some sudden fissure that asserted itself in the big floe. The report was not credited here when it arrived and steps were taken at this office to secure confirmation or denial at once.

Captain Larkin brought the Undine down in good shape yesterday evening. He did not know anything about the ice gorge having been forced by the Elder, as he passed the fleet at St. Helen's about 10 o'clock in the morning. He reports the river practically clear of ice, all of it on the banks in huge piles. The Undine leaves up for Portland at 7 o'clock this morning.

The Heather is busy as a bee picking up stray buoys and planting new ones, these days. First Mate E. Hammerstrom is reported as quite ill. The present chief engineer of the Sea Rover, now in port, Albert Richards, was one time chief of the Heather's engine room.

Captain Betts will leave up for Portland this morning with the steamer Atlas of the Standard line, assured of a through passage to the metropolis.

The launch Florence was purchased yesterday by W. F. McGregor, for the use of the Bremner Logging Company from Captain Harry Haslam. Frank Lewis will command her in her new service.

The big steamer Santa Maria was ordered up the river last night from here. Her cargo of fuel oil is badly needed at the metropolis.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore arrived in from Tillamook yesterday evening and will leave out again tomorrow if conditions hold favorable.

The sea-tug Dauntless and her oil-hulk tow left out for Tacoma from this port yesterday morning.

Captain A. E. Salte has succeeded Captain Al Beard in command of the Callender steamer Vanguard.

The Heather went to sea on buoy duty again yesterday morning, returning in later in the day.

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### CONFIDENCE GAME.

**Advertised For Wine Agents and Made Men Give Bonds.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Accused of swindling men out of \$10 each on the pretence of employing them as wine agents, Lionel Dubarry, alias Arnholt, was arrested last night. Burton Adams was arrested as DuBarry's accomplice.

DuBarry claimed to be western representative of Pierre Joust & Co., French Wine dealers, and he advertised recently for salesmen. It is charged that he accosted and signed contracts with a number of men for employment. They were told that owing to the fact that they would handle large amounts of money they must give bonds and were sent to Burton Adams, alias "Jack" Adams, alleged agent of a British reference and bonding company of London, England, which company the police assert does not exist, so far as they can learn. For the bonds the men paid \$10 each. This money, the police say, was divided between Adams and Du Barry.

The police learned, they assert, that DuBarry was wanted for the alleged theft of \$4000 from a brewing company at Philadelphia.

According to the police the men have operated the confidence game here since Monday. They inserted in a morning paper the advertisement in which they promised employment at a salary of \$50 a week and expenses. The police telegraphed to Buchanan & Co., of New York, agents for the wine company. They deny knowing either Dubarry or Adams.

### EPIDEMIC IS WORSE.

**Sweat Shop Workers Spread Contagious Diseases in Chicago.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—The number of new cases of contagious diseases in Chicago was greater yesterday than on any previous day during the present scarlet fever epidemic, 223 cases being reported.

There were also 55 new cases of diphtheria and 24 miscellaneous cases. Six deaths were listed in Chicago and one in Evanston.

Chief Factory Inspector Davis will begin today the most rigid inspection of sweat shops ever made in the city. This is to be done in the belief that the "finishing shops" of the congested districts may be centers from which scarlet fever is being spread. The discovery of a young girl lying ill with this disease on a pile of clothing that had been made ready for delivery to the wholesaler by whom it would have been sold sooner or later to the retailer, and thus finally reach the consumer, led Inspector Davis to act.

### DEED OF DASTARD.

**Attempt to Blow Up Portland Street Car Barely Prevented.**

PORTLAND, Jan. 24.—A stick of dynamite seven inches long and weighing a pound and a half, set with four caps, was found at Piedmont, just beside the rail, on the St. John's division of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company at daylight today. Investigation by the police has convinced Chief Gritzmacher and Inspector Briu that the dynamite was placed on the rail with deliberate intent to blow to pieces one of the heavy cars on the St. John's line. They also believe the jar of an approaching car dislodged the explosive barely in time to prevent frightful carnage.

### FIGHT ENTIRE TOWN.

**Band of Desperadoes Attempt to Loot Bank at Gons.**

TULSA, I. T., Jan. 24.—Word was received here of a desperate fight between practically the entire male population of Gons, a small town near here, and a band of white men who attempted to rob the bank of Gons. The robbers were discovered before they gained entrance to the bank. A crowd of men and boys armed with miscellaneous weapons quickly gathered and opened fire. The desperadoes replied with several volleys but were forced to the railroad track where they had secreted a handcar and on which they made their escape.

### ON TERMINAL RATES.

LONG BEACH, Jan. 24.—The city attorney is preparing a brief for submission to the Interstate Commerce Commission relative to terminal rates. The brief will set forth that by reason of its navigable waters and harbor facilities, this city is entitled to terminal rates, and that this is practically the terminal point of both the Salt Lake and Southern Pacific, which operate lines into Long Beach. The fact that Long Beach has water competition is to be the principal point of argument.



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### MEET AT DENVER.

DENVER, Jan. 24.—It was erroneously stated last night that Los Angeles, Cal., had been chosen as the next meeting place of the American Livestock Association, which closed its tenth annual convention here last night. What the convention did was to favor Los Angeles as the meeting place two years hence. The convention next year will be held in Denver.

### TOUCHES EXPOSED WIRE.

BUTTE, Jan. 24.—A Miner dispatch from Bozeman states that Amos R. Howerton, a well known contractor of that city, has met instant death by being electrocuted. Howerton, it appeared, did not wait for the linemen to remove an exposed wire on a trestle on which he was walking and he stumbled against a wire.

**The Passing Hour**—The man who delights in splendid singing must not fail to hear Tony Stanford sing "In the Valley of Old Kentucky" at the Waldorf concert hall these evenings. It is one of the real treats of the season and is thoroughly appreciated by everyone. This fine feature is amplified by the best of the winter's production on the Kinnetograph, the new films being wonderfully clear and realistic, showing the odd and laughable vagaries of a young couple learning to skate, than which nothing funnier has been seen this season, and even this is outdone by the wonders and beauties of Niagara Falls revealed from every point of vantage from the quiet sweep of river above the crest of the precipice to the turbulent depths below, where the steamer "Maid of the Mist," makes her dangerous and thrilling trips.

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